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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
2 TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2009 BEGINS ON PAGE 154.]
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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LIKE TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER
7 PLEASE. GOOD MORNING, I'D ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. THIS
8 MORNING WE WILL BE LED IN OUR INVOCATION BY DR. SHERMAN
9 GORDON, NEW PHILADELPHIA A.M.E. CHURCH IN RANCHO DOMINGUEZ,
10 AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY ANITA SALAZAR, ADJUTANT, THE
11 AGUIRRE POST NO. 748, SAN GABRIEL, THE AMERICAN LEGION.
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13 **DR. SHERMAN GORDON:** A PRIVILEGE AND PLEASURE IT IS TO BE HERE
14 THIS MORNING TO OFFER UP A MORNING INVOCATION. I'M ESPECIALLY
15 GRATEFUL TO BE HERE WITH ONE I CONSIDER A NEAR AND DEAR
16 FRIEND, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND SO AGAIN, THANK YOU
17 FOR THIS INVOCATION, CHANCE TO GIVE AN INVOCATION. HISTORY
18 TELLS US IN NEHEMIAH 4:6 "SO THE PEOPLE BUILT THE WALL BECAUSE
19 THEY HAD A MIND TO WORK TOGETHER." A NATION HAVING FINANCIAL
20 CRISIS IN THE MIDST OF MORE FORECLOSURES THAN HOUSE OPENINGS.
21 IN THE MIDST OF FAMILIES HAVING TO DEAL WITH FURLOUNDS. IF
22 EVER THERE WAS A TIME THAT WE NEED TO COME TOGETHER AND PRAY,
23 IT IS NOW. I BELIEVE THAT WE'VE ALL GATHERED HERE TODAY UNDER
24 THE BANNER THAT SAYS WE'RE NOT HERE TO PLAY, TO DREAM OR TO
25 DRIFT. WE HAVE WORK TO DO, THOSE TO LIFT. SHALL I NOT THIS



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1 TASK, IT IS OUR GIFT. WITH THAT BEING SAID, LET US JUST REACH
2 OUT AND TOUCH A NEIGHBOR'S HAND AS WE GO TO GOD IN PRAYER.
3 GOD, WE COME SEEKING YOUR FACE. WE ARE WELL AWARE THAT EXCEPT
4 YOU BUILD THIS CITY, EXCEPT YOU WATCH THIS CITY, OUR WORK IS
5 IN VAIN. AND GOD, WE DO NOT DESIRE AS COMMUNITY LEADERS, AS
6 CLERGY LEADERS, AS CITIZENS TO HAVE OUR WORK TO BE IN VAIN. SO
7 IN THIS DAY, WE PRAY THAT YOU PROVIDE OUR SUPERVISORS THE
8 GUIDANCE FOR THE DECISIONS THAT THEY'LL MAKE, THE DIRECTION
9 FOR THE ACTIONS THAT THEY'LL TAKE, THE FORTITUDE FOR THE TASKS
10 AT HAND. THEN AS ALWAYS, AID THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN
11 PUTTING ASIDE PERSONAL PREFERENCE THAT THEY MIGHT FOCUS ON THE
12 PREFERENCE OF THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH THEY
13 SERVE. BE WITH THEM AS THEY EVALUATE COUNTY POLICIES AND
14 NAVIGATE PATHS THAT WILL GENERATE FUNDING FOR NEEDED PROGRAMS
15 AND STRENGTHEN THEM AS THEY EXAMINE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THEIR
16 DEPARTMENTS AND THEIR COMMISSIONS SO THAT THE HISTORY BOOKS OF
17 TOMORROW WILL REFLECT THAT THESE GREAT LEADERS, THIS LEGACY OF
18 GREAT SUPERVISORS MOVED OUR DISTRICTS AND OUR COMMUNITIES
19 FORTH, AIDED THE PEOPLE, PRODUCED WORK FOR OUR PROJECTS, AND
20 BETTERED OUR COMMUNITIES. WHERE THEY MUST DISAGREE, HELP THEM
21 TO OPERATE IN A SPIRIT OF AGREEMENT, KNOWING A FIVE-BRAIDED
22 CORD IS GREATER THAN ANY SINGLE-BRAIDED CORD. NOW, GOD, WHEN
23 WE LEAVE THIS PLACE, HELP US TO SEE THE CHANGE IN THIS ROOM
24 THAT WE DESIRE TO SEE IN OUR WORLD. ALL THESE THINGS WE ASK
25 AND BELIEVE IN YOUR NAME, AMEN.



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2 **ANITA SALAZAR:** FACE THE FLAG, PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR
3 HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF
4 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN
9 AND COLLEAGUES. IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE THE
10 PASTOR OF THE NEW PHILADELPHIA AME CHURCH, THE REVEREND
11 SHERMAN GORDON, WHO HAS PASTORED THAT CONGREGATION AS THE
12 FOUNDING AND ORGANIZING PASTOR FOR A BIT MORE THAN A DECADE,
13 PRECISELY 11 YEARS. THIS CHURCH HAS GROWN TO ROUGHLY 2,000
14 MEMBERS WITH 37 ACTIVE MINISTRIES. DR. GORDON SERVES WITH THE
15 DISTINCTION OF BEING THE DIRECTOR OF THE MEN'S MINISTRY OF THE
16 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL FIFTH
17 DISTRICT. AND HE SERVES AS AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR IN THE AREA OF
18 RELIGION, A COMMISSIONER IN THE CITY OF CARSON ON THE FINE
19 ARTS AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION, NAMED BY "EBONY" MAGAZINE AS
20 ONE OF THE YOUNG FUTURE LEADERS IN AMERICA. MARRIED TO MARINA
21 BILBREW- GORDON, TWO CHILDREN: EXODUS NIA, A DAUGHTER THAT IS
22 THE DAUGHTER, AND EDON HILL AS THEIR SON. SO WE'RE DELIGHTED
23 TO WELCOME THIS GRADUATE FROM U.C.S.B. AND FAIRMONT SCHOOL OF
24 THEOLOGY AS WELL AS THE UNITED THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN DAYTON,
25 AND SAY TO HIM THAT WE TAKE GREAT PRIDE AND PLEASURE IN



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1 WELCOMING YOU HERE TODAY, PASTOR GORDON, AND TO SAY THANK YOU
2 FOR YOUR STIRRING INVOCATION. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO A
3 STRONGER AND CONTINUING RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU AS YOU SEEK TO
4 SERVE GOD'S PEOPLE AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
5 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANITA, IF YOU JOIN ME HERE, PLEASE. ON
8 BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I'D LIKE TO MAKE THIS
9 PRESENTATION. WE WANT TO THANK YOU, ONCE AGAIN, FOR TAKING
10 TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO DO THIS. ANITA SALAZAR
11 RESIDES IN ROSEMEAD AND IS WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION AS I
12 MENTIONED, POST 748 IN SAN GABRIEL. SHE SERVED AS A PETTY
13 OFFICER THIRD CLASS WITH PIER 91 NAVAL STATION IN SEATTLE IN
14 1951 TO '54. HER DECORATIONS INCLUDE A NATIONAL DEFENSE
15 SERVICE MEDAL AND A MEDAL OF GOOD CONDUCT. SO WE AGAIN EXTEND
16 OUR GRATITUDE FOR HER TAKING THE TIME TO DO THIS, BUT MOST
17 IMPORTANTLY, YOUR SERVICE TO THE COUNTRY AND TO OUR NATION.
18 AND I WOULD SAY AS A FELLOW NAVY PERSON, ANCHORS AWAY.
19 [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. WE WILL DO THE AGENDA.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
22 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
23 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D
24 THROUGH 7-D. ON ITEM NO. 1-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
25 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2-D, THERE'S A



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1 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON NO.
2 3-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
3 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 4-D, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
4 AGENDA, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
5 COMMISSION REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
6 AUGUST 11TH, 2009.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 6-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
11 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. SO ITEMS 5-D AND 7-D
12 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEMS 5-D AND 7-D, MOVED BY
15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF
19 THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 5-H. ON ITEM NO. 1-H,
20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 5-H, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
25 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 1-H.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 1-H, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND 5-H, FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ITEMS
9 2-H, 3-H, AND 4-H ARE BEFORE YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
13 ORDERED.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 8. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
16 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 18. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
17 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2,
18 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE
19 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3, THERE'S
20 A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON
21 ITEM NO. 4, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
22 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 7, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
23 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR KNABE AMENDED THIS MOTION
24 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ALSO SUPERVISOR



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1 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS
2 TO AUGUST 18TH, 2009.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 9, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
7 SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
8 ITEM BE HELD.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
16 RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
17 ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 15, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS
20 19 THROUGH 56. ON ITEM NO. 19, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
21 REQUESTS THAT HIS AMENDMENT BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.
22 AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
23 THIS ITEM.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE AMENDMENT WILL BE REFERRED
2 BACK TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S OFFICE. WE WILL HOLD THE
3 REMAINDER FOR THE PUBLIC.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 21, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO
6 ON THIS ITEM AND THERE'S ALSO -- 21. AND ALSO THERE'S A
7 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 27, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
12 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 28,
13 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
14 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 32, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
15 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 48, THERE'S A REQUEST
16 FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NO.
17 50, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
18 WEEK TO AUGUST 11TH, 2009. THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT
19 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
22 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
23 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND I APOLOGIZE. ON 45, WE CALLED IT. I'M
2 SORRY. ON PAGE 30, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 57 AND
3 58. AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. ON ITEM
4 NO. 57, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6, SALARIES OF THE
5 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE ADDITION, DELETION,
6 AND/OR CHANGING OF CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF
7 ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THE
8 FINDINGS OF CLASSIFICATION STUDIES AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL
9 CORRECTIONS.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
12 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 58, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO ON
15 THIS ITEM. AND THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
16 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. YOU'RE CORRECT. THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
17 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM RIGHT NOW. AND THAT
18 WOULD BE THE SAME FOR ITEM NO. 21. PAGE 31, DISCUSSION ITEMS,
19 ITEMS 59 AND 60. ON ITEM NO. 59, WE WILL HOLD FOR A
20 DISCUSSION. ON ITEM NO. 60, WE WILL HOLD FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.
21 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
22 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE
23 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 61-A, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
24 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 34, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, ON
4 ITEM NO. CS-1, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS
5 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO AUGUST 18TH, 2009.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. CS-5 AS INDICATED ON THE
10 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
11 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 11TH, 2009.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
16 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
17 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 5.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. ANTONOVICH, IF YOU WOULD, WE
20 HAVE AN L.A. COUNTY STARS PRESENTATION. IT IS A PLEASURE TO
21 INTRODUCE TO ALL OF YOU -- TO OUR VIEWING AUDIENCE, THE AUGUST
22 2009 L.A. COUNTY STARS IN THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE
23 AND ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. PLEASE WELCOME THE FOOD
24 STAMP NUTRITION PROGRAM AND LEADER APPLICATION MAINTENANCE
25 SECTION TEAMS FROM OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES.



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1 AS A RESULT OF THE ENACTMENT OF THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND
2 REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009, SIGNED INTO LAW BY PRESIDENT BARACK
3 OBAMA IN FEBRUARY, FOOD STAMP BENEFITS WERE INCREASED BY 13.6
4 PERCENT, EFFECTIVE APRIL 1ST, 2009. THE DEPARTMENT'S FOOD
5 STAMP NUTRITION PROGRAM AND LEADER APPLICATION MAINTENANCE
6 SECTIONS JOINED TOGETHER VERY QUICKLY TO ANALYZE AND DETERMINE
7 THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION TO MEET THE DEADLINE. ROUTINE POLICY
8 MODIFICATION AND ENHANCEMENT TO THE LEADER SYSTEM USUALLY
9 TAKES FOUR TO SIX MONTHS. BUT BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF
10 THIS BENEFIT INCREASE AND THE NEED TO ACT VERY QUICKLY, THESE
11 TWO SECTIONS COLLABORATED AND WERE ABLE TO QUICKLY CLARIFY THE
12 POLICY, CONDENSE TESTING FROM TWO MONTHS TO JUST A FEW DAYS,
13 AND PUT THE PROGRAM IN PLACE BY APRIL 1ST. IN ONLY FOUR WEEKS,
14 THE COLLABORATION OF THESE TWO SECTIONS ALLOWED 750,000
15 HOUSEHOLDS TO RECEIVE ALMOST \$17 MILLION IN STIMULUS FOOD
16 STAMP BENEFITS DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL. THE TEAM EFFORT AND
17 HARD WORK THAT WENT INTO IMPLEMENTING THESE CHANGES
18 EXPEDITIOUSLY MADE INCREASED BENEFITS AVAILABLE AS QUICKLY AS
19 POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HELP DURING THESE VERY
20 DIFFICULT ECONOMIC TIMES. THE ACCOMPLISHMENT IS PARTICULARLY
21 SIGNIFICANT SINCE THE OTHER STATES NEEDED FEDERAL AND STATE
22 WAIVERS BECAUSE THEIR PROGRAMMING WAS NOT COMPLETED IN A
23 TIMELY MANNER. SO THE TEAM MEMBERS RECEIVED THEIR SCROLLS
24 BEFORE THE MEETING, BUT WE WANTED TO RECOGNIZE THEM. COME ON
25 UP, SIR. AND WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE,



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1 OKAY? [APPLAUSE.] PHILIP, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS
2 PLEASE?

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4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS FOR CREATING THE L.A. STARS PROGRAM. I THINK THIS
6 IS A FANTASTIC ACCOMPLISHMENT AND SHOWS HOW GOVERNMENT CAN
7 WORK AT ITS BEST. GOVERNMENT IS BUREAUCRATIC IN MANY, MANY
8 WAYS; BUT THE PEOPLE BEHIND ME AND SOME OF THE PEOPLE OUT IN
9 THE AUDIENCE THAT ARE REPRESENTED BY THE UNISYS CORPORATION,
10 REALLY WORKED VERY, VERY HARD UNDER TRYING CIRCUMSTANCES TO
11 IMPLEMENT A VERY COMPLEX POLICY AND DID IT IN A REMARKABLY
12 SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. THEY IMPLEMENTED IT IN APRIL. AND I
13 THINK THROUGH THIS MONTH, OVER \$75 MILLION HAS GONE INTO THE
14 LOCAL LOS ANGELES ECONOMY THROUGH THE HARD WORK OF THE PEOPLE
15 BEHIND ME. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY AGAIN: THANK YOU FOR ALL THE
16 HARD WORK OF THESE STAFF. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CONGRATULATIONS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?
19 I BET THE UNISYS FOLKS OUT REALLY EXCITED. I REALLY SAID
20 SOMETHING NICE. THAT WAS AN INSIDE JOKE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, IT'S A PLEASURE TO
23 RECOGNIZE ONE OF OUR JUDGES WHO HAS RETIRED THIS PAST MONTH,
24 JUDGE JOHN FARRELL FROM OUR SUPERIOR COURT. I'VE HAD THE
25 OPPORTUNITY OF KNOWING JOHN AND HIS BROTHER MICHAEL. MICHAEL



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1 WAS MY CLASSMATE WHO ALSO SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE SUPERIOR
2 COURT WITH DISTINCTION BEFORE HE RETIRED RECENTLY, AS WELL.
3 AND WITH HIM IS BRENDON FARRELL, WHO IS HIS SON AND WAS ALSO A
4 FORMER INTERN IN MY OFFICE WHO JUST GRADUATED FROM THE
5 UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME LAW SCHOOL AND HAS JUST TAKEN THE BAR
6 AND HOPEFULLY THAT WILL BE A SUCCESS BECAUSE WE NEED MORE
7 HONEST LAWYERS, RIGHT? ANYWAY, JUDGE FARRELL GRADUATED FROM
8 LOYOLA UNIVERSITY IN 1962 AND THEN HE RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S
9 DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM U.C.L.A. AND HIS LAW DEGREE
10 WAS FROM YALE UNIVERSITY IN 1966. HE AUTHORED A COMPILATION OF
11 LAWS FOR THE ISLAND OF YAP IN MICRONESIA, THEN SPENT YEAR AT
12 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY OF LAW ON A FULL ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP
13 WHERE HE WAS SECOND IN HIS CLASS AND THE RECIPIENT OF FIVE
14 AMERICAN JURISPRUDENCE AWARDS. HE BEGAN HIS LEGAL CAREER AS AN
15 ATTORNEY WITH THE PEACE CORPS THEN WENT TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT
16 OF INTERIOR ON A THREE-YEAR STINT IN MICRONESIA NEAR GUAM.
17 THEN HE SPENT NEARLY A DECADE IN OUR COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE
18 AS AN ATTORNEY BEFORE VENTURING TO THE PRIVATE PRACTICE FOR
19 SIX YEARS WITH THE LAW FIRM OF COLEMAN AND FARRELL. THEN HE
20 RETURNED TO THE COUNTY ONCE AGAIN AS DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL. HE
21 WAS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN IN 1987 TO THE
22 SUPERIOR COURT. AND FOR THE PAST TWO DECADES HAD ADMINISTERED
23 JUSTICE IN COUNTLESS CIVIL AND CRIMINAL CASES, OFTEN SHARING
24 THAT SAME COURT WITH HIS BROTHER, MICHAEL, IN THE SAN FERNANDO
25 VALLEY COURTHOUSE. HE IS NOW RETIRING, BUT HE WILL STILL BE



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1 ACTIVE AND SERVE AS A JUDGE PART-TIME FOR VARIOUS CASES. BUT,
2 JOHN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO OUR COUNTY. AND HIS
3 WIFE IS ALSO THE SCHOOL NURSE PART-TIME AT GRANADA HILLS
4 CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL. SO, JOHN, CONGRATULATIONS AND I GIVE YOU
5 THIS PROCLAMATION. [APPLAUSE.] SAY A FEW WORDS?

6

7 **HONORABLE JOHN FARRELL:** WELL, IT'S BEEN A GREAT HONOR TO SERVE
8 THE COUNTY AS A JUDGE. IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO BE CHOSEN AS A
9 JUDGE. AND I TRIED TO FULFILL EVERY DAY AS BEST I COULD THE
10 TRUST THAT WAS PUT INTO ME TO APPLY THE LAW AS EQUALLY TO
11 EVERYONE BEFORE ME. SO IT'S TIME FOR SOMEBODY ELSE TO HAVE
12 THAT OPPORTUNITY AND CHANCE TO GO FORWARD, AND I APPRECIATED
13 IT VERY MUCH. SO THANK YOU TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY AND
14 THANK YOU TO GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN, AS WELL AS TO MIKE
15 ANTONOVICH. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE DALE WHITNEY
18 AND RICHARD IIZUKA, WHO IS THE CHIEF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF
19 WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, TO DECLARE AUGUST THIRD THROUGH THE
20 SEVENTH AS NATIONAL CERTIFIED MARKETS WEEK THROUGHOUT THE
21 COUNTY. TODAY WITH US, MR. WHITNEY WHO HAS BEEN A CERTIFIED
22 FARMERS' MARKET MANAGER IN OUR COUNTY FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS.
23 HE'S PROMOTED FARMERS HAVING DIRECT ACCESS TO MARKETS TO
24 SUPPLEMENT FARM INCOME AND FACILITATE CONSUMERS' ACCESS TO
25 LOCALLY GROWN, FARM FRESH PRODUCE. HE'S TAKEN A LEAD POSITION



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1 IN PROVIDING TO ALL AREA RESIDENTS THE ACCESS, THE BENEFITS OF
2 HEALTHY EATING AND FRESH PRODUCE AT CERTIFIED MARKETS.
3 ADDITIONALLY, HE'S BEEN AN ACTIVE ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE
4 CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET ADVISORY COMMITTEE, WHICH INTERDICTS
5 DIRECTLY WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
6 FOOD AND AGRICULTURE REGARDING CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET
7 ISSUES. SO WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS. WE
8 NEED MORE BROCCOLI, MORE VEGETABLES, LESS BIG MACS AND CARL'S
9 AND ALL THE OTHER BAD FOODS, RIGHT?

10

11 **DALE WHITNEY:** ABSOLUTELY.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ABOUT THE SOUTHERN CHICKEN
14 SANDWICH?

15

16 **RICHARD IIZUKA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I
17 JUST WANT TO SAY THAT DALE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A MARKET
18 MANAGER IN APRIL OF 1989 IN THE HARBOR AREA OF LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY. AND NOW THAT'S GROWN TO FIVE MARKETS. HE'S SPONSORED
20 BY THE SOUTH COAST INTERFAITH COUNCIL, WHO PUTS EMPHASIS ON
21 NEIGHBORHOOD, CHARITABLE INTENTIONS AND SERVING LOW INCOME
22 PEOPLE. ONE OF THE INTERESTING THINGS TO THINK ABOUT IS THAT
23 IT'S BEEN 30 YEARS SINCE THE VERY FIRST CERTIFIED FARMERS'
24 MARKET WAS OPENED IN GARDENA. AND CURRENTLY IN LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY, WE HAVE 117 CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKETS OPERATING ON A
2 WEEKLY BASIS. SO I'D LIKE TO CALL UP DALE RIGHT NOW?

3

4 **DALE WHITNEY:** I JUST WANTED TO SAY A COUPLE OF QUICK WORDS.
5 I'M NOT A LONE WOLF. I WORK WITH A BOARD OF MANAGERS. AND OF
6 COURSE CUSTOMERS AND FARMERS ARE THE OTHER PARTS OF THE
7 EQUATION WITH CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKETS. AND I THINK MOST OF
8 YOU DO KNOW THERE'S ONE RIGHT OUTSIDE THE DOOR TODAY FOR YOU
9 TO ENJOY. I DO WANT TO INTRODUCE MY BOARD OF MANAGERS, THESE
10 ARE THE PEOPLE WHO HIRE ME, THE BOARD OF MANAGERS. THIS IS
11 EVAN NUTT, WHO IS FROM LONG BEACH LIKE I AM, WHO IS OUR
12 PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD. THIS IS MARGARET CHERRY, WHO ALSO IS
13 FROM LONG BEACH. SHE'S OUR SECRETARY. AND DONNA STEWART,
14 HAPPENS TO LIVE RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM ME AND SHE'S A
15 LOYAL CUSTOMER. SO SHE'S HERE TODAY, TOO, TO REPRESENT THAT
16 PART OF IT. THE OTHER PART OF IT IS FARMERS. AND WE HAVE SOME
17 FARMERS ON OUR BOARD OF MANAGERS, BUT THEY'RE SO BUSY, I MEAN
18 NONE OF THEM ARE HERE TODAY. I HAVE COME TO THIS FARMERS'
19 MARKET MANY TIMES THROUGH THE YEARS. AND JOHN TINARELLI, WELL
20 HE'S A MIDDLE AGED FARMER NOW, USED TO BE YOUNG. HE'S GOT THE
21 PEACH STALL OUT HERE. AND I WAS HOPING HE'D BE HERE TODAY. BUT
22 HE DIDN'T COME. HE SENT A COUPLE OF EMPLOYEES. SO I'VE GOT HIS
23 CELL PHONE NUMBER RIGHT HERE AND I'M GOING TO CALL HIM UP AND
24 GIVE HIM A HARD TIME JUST AS SOON AS WE LEAVE HERE. THE OTHER
25 THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS WE DO TAKE E.B.T. FOOD STAMPS AT



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1 ALL OF OUR MARKETS. THAT'S NOT TRUE OF ALL THE FARMERS'
2 MARKETS. SO IT WAS REALLY NICE TO SEE THE FOOD STAMP PEOPLE
3 HERE TODAY AND SEE THEM GET SOME RECOGNITION, AS WELL. THANK
4 YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE LITTLE HANNAH WHO IS A DOMESTIC SHORT
7 HAIR MIX. SHE WAS EIGHT WEEKS OLD. SHE WAS IN OUR OFFICE
8 EARLIER THIS MORNING RUNNING AROUND HAVING A GOOD TIME. NOW
9 THIS IS LITTLE HANNAH. HANNAH'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO WHO
10 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER? YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644, OR ANYBODY
11 IN THE AUDIENCE? I DON'T KNOW HOW SHE LIKES HER VEGGIES, BUT
12 IF ANYBODY FROM THE CERTIFIED FARMERS, THIS IS LITTLE HANNAH.
13 HERE WE GO. NICE CALICO COLOR. OKAY. INTERESTED?

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE HAVE TWO ALREADY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. I UNDERSTAND.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** GOOD MORNING, IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO BE
22 JOINED BY SOME GREAT LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITY, IN PARTICULAR
23 LEADERSHIP IN THE CHINESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY. AND THAT IS FROM
24 THE CHINESE AMERICAN CITIZEN ALLIANCE, AND I WANT TO BEGIN BY
25 INTRODUCING DR. MUNSON KWOK, WHO IS THE GRAND PRESIDENT,



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1 SOMEONE WE'VE KNOWN FOR A LONG TIME, A WONDERFUL LEADER. XIANG
2 FU, WHO IS A PAST GRAND PRESIDENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING
3 HERE, SIR. CAROLINE CHEN WHO IS HERE. AND SHE IS THE GRAND
4 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, IF THAT'S CORRECT. OUR VERY OWN JOHN
5 WONG, WHO IS A GRAND AUDITOR AND PA WONG WHO IS THE SAN
6 GABRIEL VALLEY PRESIDENT. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US. IT IS MY
7 HONOR TO GIVE COMMENDATION. THIS ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN SERVING
8 THE CHINESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND CERTAINLY OUR COMMUNITY, AS
9 WELL, OVERALL, FOR OVER 50 YEARS. IT HAS BEEN AN AMAZING
10 AMOUNT OF WORK. WHEN YOU READ THEIR HISTORY AND THEIR
11 BACKGROUND AND THE KIND OF EFFORTS THAT THEY'VE PUT FORTH, IT
12 IS AMAZING THE KIND OF WORK AND THE TENACIOUSNESS THAT THEY
13 HAVE HAD THROUGHOUT THOSE 50 YEARS. WELL, NOW WE ARE HERE TO
14 APPLAUD THEM FOR THE ALLIANCE'S 50TH BIENNIAL NATIONAL
15 CONVENTION. IT IS GOING TO BE HELD THIS WEEK, AUGUST THE FIFTH
16 THROUGH THE EIGHTH HERE IN THE CITY OF INDUSTRY. THE
17 ORGANIZATION WAS ESTABLISHED WAY BACK IN 1895. IT HAS BEEN
18 DEDICATED FOR INSURING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT, ECONOMIC
19 OPPORTUNITIES, PROMOTING CITIZEN RESPONSIBILITY AND PROTECTING
20 THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF CHINESE AMERICANS. IT HAS SEVERAL LOGES,
21 AS THEY ARE CALLED, LOCATED THROUGHOUT MAJOR CITIES IN THIS
22 THE COUNTRY. MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE CONTINUALLY STRIVE TO
23 IMPROVE THEMSELVES, CHARITY, JUSTICE, FELLOWSHIP, AND FIDELITY
24 AMONGST A VERY WARM AND FAMILY ATMOSPHERE. I'M PLEASED TO
25 ACKNOWLEDGE THEM AND THEIR EFFORTS. BUT IN PARTICULAR,



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1 ACKNOWLEDGE THIS VERY WORTHY ORGANIZATION WHO IS PREPARED TO
2 CELEBRATE 50 VERY, VERY COMMITTED AND DEDICATED YEARS AT THE
3 50TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION THIS VERY WEEK. WE WANT TO THANK THEM
4 FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP. THEY'VE DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB. THEY'RE
5 PROBABLY ONE OF THE OLDEST CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS IN THIS
6 COUNTRY. AND THEY CONTINUE DOING THEIR WORK EVERY SINGLE DAY.
7 AND I APPLAUD THEIR LEADERSHIP, THEIR TENACIOUSNESS AND MORE
8 IMPORTANTLY, THE KIND OF ONGOING CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THEY MAKE
9 TO OUR COMMUNITY. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU. SO MUNSON,
10 YOU'RE GOING TO COME UP AND JOIN US AND SPEAK? WOULD YOU
11 APPLAUSE THEM ALL? I THINK THEY'RE VERY, VERY DESERVING.

12

13 **MUNSON KWOK:** THANK YOU ALL. IT'S A MOST GENEROUS DECLARATION
14 AND A WONDERFUL PROCLAMATION, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THANK YOU
15 VERY MUCH. CHAIR DON KNABE, OF COURSE, SUPERVISORS
16 ANTONOVICH, A GOOD FRIEND, THOMAS, ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND,
17 YAROSLAVSKY ALSO A GOOD FRIEND. THERE ISN'T A ONE OF YOU THAT
18 WE HAVEN'T WORKED WITH OVER THE YEARS OR YOUR STAFFS ON BEHALF
19 OF OUR COMMUNITIES. AND WE SIMPLY HAVE TO THANK YOU FOR THAT
20 SUPPORT AND THAT CONTINUAL ATTENTIVENESS TO OUR NEEDS HERE,
21 ESPECIALLY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OVER THE YEARS. WE ARE DEEPLY
22 HONORED BY YOUR PROCLAMATION AND RECOGNITION OF OUR 50TH
23 BIENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THIS THE CHINESE AMERICAN
24 CITIZENS ALLIANCE. WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO BE DESERVING OF YOUR
25 ACCLAIM OF US. WE ARE, IN FACT, 114 YEARS. AND AS YOU NOTED,



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1 BESIDES B'NAI B'RITH, THE OLDEST CIVIL RIGHTS AND IMMIGRANT
2 RIGHTS ORGANIZATION NATIONALLY IN THE UNITED STATES. OUR LOS
3 ANGELES CITY CHAPTER HAS BEEN IN BOTH OLD AND NEW CHINATOWN,
4 ORIGINALLY SITUATED IN THE CHINESE AMERICAN MUSEUM AT EL
5 PUEBLO TODAY. OUR YOUNGEST CHAPTER IS IN THE SAN GABRIEL
6 VALLEY AND SERVES TODAY AS OUR CONVENTION HOST FOR THIS WEEK.
7 FROM THE OLDEST TO THE YOUNGEST, THE GEOGRAPHICAL AND
8 HISTORICAL FLOW OF THE FOLKS OF CHINESE DESCENT WITHIN THIS
9 COUNTY CAN BE UNDERSTOOD AND TRACKED OVER THE YEARS. OUR
10 MISSION CONTINUES TO BE, AS YOU HAVE HEARD, EQUALIZING OUR
11 OPPORTUNITIES IN AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP WHILE PRESERVING OUR
12 CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND IMPROVING THE VITALITIES OF OUR
13 COMMUNITY, EMPHASIZING DEVELOPMENT OF OUR YOUTH. WE HOPE TO
14 CONTINUE TO BE DESERVING OF THE HONOR YOU BESTOW ON US TODAY.
15 THANKS VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **MUNSON KWOK:** AS I HAVE SAID, WE'VE WORKED WITH ALL OF YOU AND
18 YOU'VE WORKED WITH ALL OF US.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M FINISHED, THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND I'M DELIGHTED
25 TO INVITE YOU TO JOIN ME AS WE MAKE THIS PRESENTATION. PAYING



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1 CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE MATTER OF POSTPARTUM MOOD AND ANXIETY
2 DISORDER. WE CALL THIS THE AWARENESS MONTH TO FOCUS ON THESE
3 ISSUES. WE'RE DELIGHTED TO HAVE WITH US KIMBERLY WONG, THE
4 FOUNDER AND CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PERINATAL MENTAL
5 HEALTH TASKFORCE AND TANYA GOREM, DIRECTOR OF POLICY FROM L.A.
6 BEST BABIES NETWORK, REPRESENTING THE POSTPARTUM SUPPORT
7 INTERNATIONAL. DR. JEANETTE VALENTINE, AND DR. DIANNA LYNN
8 BARNER, A PAST PRESIDENT OF POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL.
9 MR. CHAIRMAN, COLLEAGUES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE WAS FORMED IN
11 THE YEAR 2007 DEDICATED TO RAISING AWARENESS AND REMOVING
12 STIGMAS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PERINATAL MOOD DISORDERS.
13 POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL WAS FOUNDED IN 1987 TO
14 PROVIDE INFORMATION AND SUPPORT FOR POSTPARTUM MOOD AND
15 ANXIETY DISORDER THROUGH ITS GLOBAL NETWORK. LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTY WELCOMES 150,000 NEWBORNS EACH YEAR. THEREFORE,
17 MATERNAL HEALTH AND MORE SPECIFICALLY THE MENTAL HEALTH OF
18 WOMEN BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER PREGNANCY IS AN ISSUE OF GREAT
19 CONCERN. MATERNAL DEPRESSION OR OTHER PERINATAL MOOD AND
20 ANXIETY DISORDERS AFFECT BETWEEN 10 TO 20 PERCENT OF NEW
21 MOTHERS. AND OFTEN MENTAL ILLNESS RELATED TO CHILD BEARING IS
22 OVERLOOKED AND HEAVILY STIGMATIZED. YOU KNOW, I THINK THIS IS
23 REAL IMPORTANT AND WORTH EVERYBODY PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO.
24 THIS IS A MATTER OF SIGNIFICANCE. IT AFFECTS OUR FAMILIES
25 RATHER DIRECTLY. AND IT IS A PHENOMENON THAT IS TOO OFTEN



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1 UNATTENDED TO. AND WE OUGHT TO SALUTE THOSE WHO ARE PAYING
2 ATTENTION TO THIS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT MATTER. IN MANY CASES,
3 WOMEN ARE NOT ADEQUATELY INFORMED. THEY ARE NOT SCREENED. NOR
4 ARE THEY TREATED FOR THIS DISORDER, LEAVING APPROXIMATELY 80
5 PERCENT OF THE NEW MOTHERS UNDIAGNOSED AND UNTREATED. AND SO
6 THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE
7 HAS PARTNERED WITH POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL TO HOST
8 THE 23RD ANNUAL POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
9 TAKING PLACE AT THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT STARTING TODAY AND
10 MOVING THROUGH AUGUST THE SEVENTH TO BRING AWARENESS TO THESE
11 REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUES. AND SO I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE OUR
12 GUESTS HERE, ALL OF THEM, TO SUPPORT THEM, TO CAUSE ALL OF US
13 TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR CHALLENGE FOR WOMEN. AND
14 NOT JUST SIMPLY WOMEN, BUT THE CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES OF
15 WHICH THEY ARE A PART. THEY DO IMPORTANT WORK, AND SO WE
16 PROCLAIM TODAY, AUGUST 4, THROUGH AUGUST 7TH, 2009, AS
17 POSTPARTUM MOOD AND ANXIETY DISORDER AWARENESS MONTH
18 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. MR. CHAIRMAN?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I,
21 TOO, JUST WANTED TO ADD MY CONGRATULATIONS TO KIMBERLY AND TO
22 TONYA AND EVERYONE AT L.A. BEST BABIES FOR BRINGING FOCUS TO
23 THIS ISSUE. A LOT OF FOLKS, AS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
24 INDICATED, A LOT OF FOLKS JUST DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS, AND A
25 LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE TRIED TO TIE THIS POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION TO



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1 THE SAFE SURRENDER PROGRAM AND TRYING TO CHANGE THE LAW. I
2 FEEL VERY STRONGLY IT'S A COMPLETELY SEPARATE ISSUE. THAT'S
3 WHY I REALLY FEEL THAT THIS TASKFORCE IS SO IMPORTANT. AND I'M
4 HONORED TO BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION ON THURSDAY MORNING.
5 WE'LL GO SEE YOU OVER THERE AND TO THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WORK
6 THAT YOU DO IN A VERY DIFFICULT SUBJECT AND ONE THAT, AS WAS
7 MENTIONED, MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT UNLESS THEY PERSONALLY
8 EXPERIENCE IT. SO THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WE'LL HEAR FROM
11 THE FOUNDER OF THE TASKFORCE AND WE'LL ALSO HEAR FROM TONYA
12 GOREM AND THEN WE'LL GO FORWARD FROM THERE. PLEASE.

13

14 **KIMBERLY WONG:** THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
15 SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
16 THEIR LEADERSHIP IN PRIORITIZING MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH AND
17 WITH IT, HEALTHY INFANT AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT. AS AN ATTORNEY
18 WITH THE L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE AND THE FOUNDER
19 AND CHAIR OF THE PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE, I ALSO AM
20 A SURVIVOR OF SEVERE POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION. I STAND TOGETHER
21 WITH SEVERAL MEMBERS OF MY TASKFORCE AS WE FOCUS ON EDUCATION,
22 SCREENING AND ACCESS TO INFORMED AND CULTURALLY COMPETENT
23 SUPPORT SERVICES. OUR TASKFORCE IS A PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
24 PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED OF SEVERAL MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, DEPARTMENT



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1 OF MENTAL HEALTH, FIRST FIVE L.A., P.H.F.E. W.I.C., L.A. BEST
2 BABIES NETWORK, U.C.L.A. AND OTHERS WITH PERINATAL MOOD
3 DISORDER EXPERTISE AND EXPERTISE IN CHILD AND INFANT
4 DEVELOPMENT. WE KNOW THAT AT LEAST 15 PERCENT OF ALL PREGNANT
5 AND POSTPARTUM WOMEN WILL EXPERIENCE A CLINICAL PERINATAL MOOD
6 DISORDER. AND IN L.A. COUNTY, THAT MEANS OUT OF 150 LIVE
7 BIRTHS IN THE COUNTY, THAT APPROXIMATELY 22,000 WOMEN WILL
8 EXPERIENCE SUCH A DISORDER. OUR PERINATAL MOOD DISORDERS
9 CONFERENCE, SPONSORED BY FIRST FIVE LA., BEGINS TODAY AND GOES
10 THROUGH AUGUST 7TH. AND IT IS THE FIRST IN THE COUNTY TO
11 ADDRESS THIS ISSUE OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE AS THE SUPERVISOR
12 MENTIONED, TO WOMEN, THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES. BUT
13 IT'S ONE THAT IS TREATABLE, ABSOLUTELY, WITH INFORMED AND
14 CULTURALLY COMPETENT SERVICES. WE ALSO WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS A
15 SPECIAL THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR DONATING
16 FUNDS TO VIDEO RECORD THE ENTIRE CONFERENCE SO THAT IT WILL BE
17 AVAILABLE FOR ALL L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE, ONCE AGAIN,
20 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL OF YOU FOR THE STELLAR WORK THAT YOU
21 ARE DOING. DR. FIELDING, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE, AS WELL.
22 AND MR. CHAIRMAN, IF YOU'LL JOIN ME, WE'LL MAKE THIS
23 PRESENTATION AND DOCUMENT IT PHOTOGRAPHICALLY AND CELEBRATE
24 THE IMPORTANT WORK THAT'S BEING DONE. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NOW, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
2 COLLEAGUES, I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE MARGARET TODD, LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIAN, AND ANNE MARIE KARLSEN, AS WELL AS
4 LAURA ZUCKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
5 ARTS COMMISSION. THIS FOCUSES ON AN EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCE
6 THAT WE'VE HAD IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, PARTICULARLY IN
7 THE SECOND DISTRICT AND MORE SPECIFIC THAN THAT, IN THE CITY
8 OF LAWNDALE. ANNE MARIE KARLSEN IS A PROFESSIONAL ARTIST
9 RESIDING HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS
10 COMMISSIONED BY THE ARTS COMMISSION IN 2007 TO CREATE THE
11 ARTWORK FOR THE NEW LAWNDALE LIBRARY. HAVING VISITED THE
12 LIBRARY ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION, AND MOST NOTABLY WHEN IT
13 WAS FIRST OPENED, THAT IS THE GRAND OPENING, THERE IS NO
14 QUESTION ABOUT THE CONTRIBUTION THAT THE ARTS HAVE MADE TO
15 THIS WONDERFUL NEW FACILITY. HER ART GLASS WALL ENTITLED
16 "SUBDIVISIONS" WAS INSTALLED IN THE NEW LIBRARY IN NOVEMBER OF
17 LAST YEAR. AND PEOPLE FAR AND WIDE ARE COMING TO EXPERIENCE
18 THIS DOCUMENTATION OF THE EXPERIENCE OF THAT COMMUNITY THROUGH
19 ARTISTIC EXPRESSION. HER ARTWORK AT THE LIBRARY HAS RECEIVED
20 NATIONAL RECOGNITION AS ONE OF THE MOST EXEMPLARY AND
21 INNOVATIVE PERMANENT PUBLIC ARTWORKS CREATED AND DEBUTED IN
22 2008 BY THE AMERICANS FOR THE ARTS, A LEADING NONPROFIT
23 ORGANIZATION FOR ADVANCING ARTS IN THIS NATION. IT'S WITH
24 GREAT PLEASURE THAT I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THIS
25 SCROLL TO ANNE MARIE KARLSEN AS WE APPLAUD HER CREATIVITY AND



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1 COMMEND HER FOR HER AWARD-WINNING ARTWORK AT THE LAWNDALE
2 LIBRARY. GIVE HER A BIG, BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, PLEASE.
3 [APPLAUSE.] ANNE MARIE?

4

5 **ANNE MARIE KARLSEN:** MY NAME IS ANNE MARIE KARLSEN, AND I'M AN
6 ARTIST. AND IT'S A GREAT PLEASURE AND HONOR TODAY TO RECEIVE
7 THIS AWARD. AND I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
8 THIS WAS A COLLABORATIVE PROJECT. AND I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO
9 RECEIVE IT ON BEHALF OF THE L.A. COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION, THE
10 PUBLIC LIBRARY DEPARTMENT OF L.A. COUNTY, AND ALSO THE CITY
11 AND COMMUNITY OF LAWNDALE. I WORKED TOGETHER WITH A LOT OF
12 PEOPLE TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS. IT WAS A COMMUNITY
13 PARTICIPATION. I USED HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPHS FROM THE COMMUNITY
14 OF LAWNDALE AND WORKED WITH THEIR HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO
15 INCORPORATE THIS INTO A VIBRANT NEW ARTWORK FOR THE LIBRARY. I
16 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR SUPPORT
17 OF PUBLIC ART PROGRAMS, IN PARTICULAR THE CIVIC ART PROGRAM,
18 BECAUSE I THINK IT'S A TESTAMENT TO THE CAPACITY OF ART TO
19 ENRICH PEOPLE'S LIVES. THIS IS A LEGACY THAT WE'VE GIVEN TO
20 THE COMMUNITY AND WILL BE THERE FOR MANY, MANY GENERATIONS TO
21 COME. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS HONOR. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DID YOU INTRODUCE THAT YOUNG MAN?

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1 **ANNE MARIE KARLSEN:** THIS IS MY SON TWAR. AND HE DOESN'T LIKE
2 ME TO SAY THIS, BUT IN EVERY ARTWORK THAT I DO, I PUT HIS NAME
3 IN THE ARTWORK IN A LITTLE SECRET PLACE. SO I ALWAYS LIKE TO
4 HAVE HIM WITH ME ON THESE OCCASIONS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. GO, TWAR! (APPLAUSE.)

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD LIKE TO ASK OUR PUBLIC HEALTH
9 DIRECTOR, DR. JONATHAN FIELDING, TO JOIN ME ALONG WITH ANGIE
10 TOYOTA, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDHOOD LEAD PREVENTION
11 PROGRAM AND AS WELL AS ASK THE WINNERS OF OUR 2009 LEAD
12 AWARENESS ART CONTEST. WE HAD THE GOOD FORTUNE UPSTAIRS TO
13 PRESENT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR CERTIFICATES IN
14 RECOGNITION OF THEIR WINNING DRAWINGS AND THEIR MESSAGES ABOUT
15 CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING. AS PART, THIS PROGRAM WAS REALLY
16 DESIGNED TO EDUCATE PARENTS AND TEACHERS AND STUDENTS BY
17 PROMOTING AWARENESS ON LEAD POISONING, AND PARTICULARLY LEAD
18 POISONING AS IT RELATES TO LEAD POISONING PREVENTION IN
19 CHILDREN. AS PART OF THE PROGRAM'S OUTREACH, A LEAD AWARENESS
20 ART CONTEST WAS HELD AT SCHOOLS THAT ARE IN HIGH RISK AREAS
21 FOR LEAD POISONING. HERE WITH US TODAY, AS I MENTIONED, ARE
22 OUR AWARD WINNERS AND SPONSORED BY THE CHILDHOOD LEAD
23 POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM. AS I SAID EARLIER TODAY WE GAVE
24 THEM THEIR CERTIFICATES, BUT ALSO A VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO
25 ANGIE TOYOTA, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR FOR OVERSEEING THIS VERY



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1 IMPORTANT PROGRAM. HOW ABOUT A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR ALL
2 OUR AWARD WINNERS UP HERE? [APPLAUSE.] ANGIE AND THEN DR.
3 FIELDING.

4

5 **ANGIE TOYOTA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND THE MEMBERS OF
6 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING OUR WONDERFUL PROGRAM
7 THAT WE HAVE, OUR SCHOOL OUTREACH PROGRAM WE HAVE ANNUALLY
8 SINCE EARLY 1990S. AND WHILE LEAD POISONING IS TRULY
9 PREVENTABLE, AND THOUGH WE'VE MADE TREMENDOUS STRIDES OVER THE
10 YEARS, LAST YEAR WE HAD REPORTED 90 CHILDREN WHO HAVE ELEVATED
11 BLOOD LEAD LEVELS ABOVE THE C.D.C. LEVEL OF CONCERN. SO WE
12 STILL HAVE MUCH MORE WORK TO DO. AND THROUGH THIS SCHOOL
13 OUTREACH PROGRAM, WE AIM TO EDUCATE CHILDREN AND THEIR
14 FAMILIES ON IDENTIFYING LEAD SOURCES AND ALSO PREVENTING LEAD
15 POISONING. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE DEDICATED
16 TEACHERS, SOME WHO ARE IN THE AUDIENCE, WHO TAKE TIME OUT TO
17 INCORPORATE THE CURRICULUM THAT WE HAVE INTO THEIR BUSY, BUSY
18 SCHOOL SCHEDULES. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND WE HOPE THAT THE
19 SCHOOLS WILL CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PROGRAM AND OTHER
20 SCHOOLS JOIN IN, AS WELL. AND I HOPE THEY FIND THAT THE
21 CURRICULUM AND THE PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE, COUPLED WITH THE
22 CHILDREN'S EXPRESSION OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE THROUGH ART, ENRICHES
23 LIVES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. SO LET ME ANNOUNCE THE WINNERS OF
24 THE 2009 ART CONTEST WINNERS. THE KINDERGARTEN GRADE LEVEL,
25 JENNA YUNE FROM TOPEKA DRIVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN NORTHRIDGE.



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1 IN FIRST GRADE, ALEXANDER ENTREPIDO FROM PRECIOUS BLOOD LOS
2 ANGELES. AND IN SECOND GRADE, NATALIE IBARRA, FROM MONTAGUE
3 CHARTER SCHOOL IN PACOIMA. AND IN FIFTH GRADE FAITH BALTIERRO,
4 MONTE VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN POMONA. AND ALSO FROM MONTE
5 VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL POMONA, JORGE CORDOVA IN SIXTH GRADE.
6 TENTH GRADE, BRYANT TECOTO, FROM SANTANA HIGH SCHOOL PARENT
7 AND TEEN PROGRAM IN ROLAND HEIGHTS. VANESSA ARAGONS FROM
8 SANTANA HIGH SCHOOL, AS WELL. AND THE CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT
9 PRESENT, ISAIAH HONG FROM CASTLE BAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN
10 NORTHRIDGE. ISAAC SANDOVAL, 109TH STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN
11 LOS ANGELES, SUSANNAH MARTINEZ FROM SANTANA HIGH SCHOOL IN
12 ROLAND HEIGHTS, AND LISETTE ANSU FROM SANTANA HIGH SCHOOL FROM
13 ROLAND HEIGHTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** IS LEAD POISONING A PROBLEM OF THE
16 PAST? THE ANSWER IS NO. THERE WERE OVER 900 KIDS LAST YEAR
17 THAT HAD AN ELEVATED LEAD LEVEL AND LEAD POISONING CAN DAMAGE
18 A GROWING CHILD'S BRAIN AND NERVOUS SYSTEM. AND IT'S
19 PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS FOR KIDS UNDER AGE SIX BECAUSE THEIR
20 RAPIDLY GROWING AND DEVELOPING BODIES, PARTICULARLY THEIR
21 BRAINS, ABSORB MORE LEAD THAN ADULTS. EARLY CHILDHOOD LEAD
22 EXPOSURE HAS BEEN LINKED TO A DROP IN I.Q. POINTS, TO SHORT
23 ATTENTION SPAN, AND AN INCREASED RISK OF ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR,
24 AS WELL AS A BUNCH OF OTHER HEALTH PROBLEMS. SO IT'S IMPORTANT
25 TO KNOW THAT THIS PROBLEM IS ENTIRELY PREVENTABLE. OUR



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1 DEPARTMENT'S CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM UNDER
2 ANGIE TOYOTA'S LEADERSHIP IS WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES ACROSS
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY ON THIS PROBLEM. AND, REMEMBER, THAT THE
4 PAINT BEFORE 1978 HAD LEAD IN IT. SO IF YOU'RE IN A HOUSING
5 DEVELOPMENT OR IN HOUSING, IN A HOUSE THAT HAS PAINT BEFORE
6 THAT PERIOD, THAT'S A PRIMARY RISK FACTOR AND YOU NEED TO JUST
7 MAKE SURE THAT CHILDREN ARE BEING TESTED AND THAT THE
8 ENVIRONMENTAL APPROACHES ARE IN FACT KEEPING THEM FROM GETTING
9 EXPOSED. SO ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, I
10 WANT TO THANK ALL OF THESE WONDERFUL CHILDREN WHO HAVE DONE AN
11 OUTSTANDING JOB AND ALL OF THOSE OTHER CONTESTANTS WHO DIDN'T
12 WIN, BUT FOR WHOM THERE IS HOPE FOR NEXT YEAR. I ALSO WANT TO
13 THANK, OF COURSE, SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR RECOGNIZING THESE
14 CHILDREN IN THE SPECIAL PRESENTATION THAT WENT THIS MORNING.
15 SO, TOGETHER, THIS IS AN ENTIRELY PREVENTABLE PROBLEM. LET'S
16 NOT ROB OUR KIDS OF I.Q. POINTS BY NEGLECTING IT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE I DO THE SCROLL PRESENTATION, IF
19 THE TEACHERS WOULD STAND UP? WHERE ARE THE TEACHERS? THE
20 TEACHERS WHO ARE OUT THERE, PLEASE STAND UP. LET'S RECOGNIZE
21 YOU. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] AND ALSO THE PARENTS. THE MOMS AND
22 DADS, AUNTS AND UNCLES, GRANDMAS AND GRANDPAS THAT ARE HERE
23 TODAY. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] WE'LL DO A PHOTO HERE WITH THE
24 KIDS. AND JONATHAN AND EVERYBODY? WE'LL HAVE SORT OF A TEAM
25 PHOTO HERE WITH EVERYBODY. CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. THANK



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1 YOU, SUPERVISOR. CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. HAVE A FUN
2 SUMMER. NOT MUCH LEFT, HUH?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ANTONOVICH, BEFORE I CALL
5 ON YOU, FIRST IT'S BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT WE HAVE A
6 FEW ITEMS THAT HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM HOLD THAT WE CAN TAKE
7 ACTION UPON, IS THAT CORRECT?

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
10 THERE ARE A COUPLE OF ITEMS THAT THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
11 RELEASED HER HOLD ON. SO IF WE COULD GET APPROVAL ON ITEMS 1-
12 D, 2-D, 4-D-- NO, EXCUSE ME, I'M SORRY, NOT 4-D. ITEM NO. 3
13 AND ITEM NO. 32.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. LET'S TAKE 1-D AND 2-D FIRST.
16 OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
17 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THE NEXT IS ITEM,
18 WHAT? THREE 3.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 3.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEM NO. 3, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
23 MOLINA -- EXCUSE ME. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL
24 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THEN ITEM NO. 32.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 32? MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
4 YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
5 ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU ARE
8 FIRST ON SPECIALS.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
11 THE FOLLOWING MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS. RON CARTER, THE ANTELOPE
12 VALLEY, HE WAS A FOURTH GENERATION LANCASTER BUSINESSMAN.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (OFF MIC COMMENTS).

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RON PASSED AWAY FROM CANCER. HE WAS A STRONG
17 SURVIVOR, STRONG FIGHTER. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF VISITING
18 WITH HIM RECENTLY. AND HE SPENT MORE THAN FIVE DECADES OF
19 LEADERSHIP ROLES IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AS A MEMBER OF THE
20 ANTELOPE LANCASTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, HE WAS THE DIRECTOR OF
21 THE VALLEY FAIR, A MEMBER OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE
22 FOUNDATION, AND WAS INVOLVED WITH BRINGING NEW JOBS AND
23 INDUSTRY TO THE VALLEY, THE PROMOTION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF
24 THE PALMDALE AIRPORT. AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF HIS FAMILY, HE
25 MANAGED RADIO STATIONS, THE TRANSIT COMPANY, A HOME APPLIANCE



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1 STORE, REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS AND ANTELOPE VALLEY SAVINGS AND
2 LOAN ASSOCIATION. A REAL TRUE COMMUNITY LEADER. AUDREY
3 MCCASKEY, PASSED AWAY ON JULY 27TH. SHE WAS THE WIFE OF
4 INTERNAL SERVICES EMPLOYEE TURNER MCCASKY, KNOWN AS MR. T, WHO
5 FOR A LONG TIME HAS TAKEN CARE OF MY OFFICES AND MANY OF US ON
6 THE EIGHTH FLOOR IN THE EVENING. LINDSAY LYNELLE NAVA. SHE WAS
7 THE DAUGHTER OF NASCAR WEST CAR OWNER JOE NAVA, WHO GREW UP IN
8 GLENDORA, WAS AN ASPIRING YOUNG ACTRESS, TAKING ACTING AND
9 DRAMA COURSES AT LONG BEACH STATE UNIVERSITY, AND APPEARED ON
10 THE "90210," "AN AMERICAN TEENAGER" AND "THE OFFICE" PROGRAMS
11 AND SHE WAS ACTIVE IN GRACE CHURCH IN GLENDORA. ROBERT CONNER,
12 MEMBER OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES SINCE 1971. CONTINUED TO
13 PARTICIPATE IN THE TOURNAMENT AS A MEMBER OF THE AUXILIARY
14 COMMITTEE. RICHARD GILL, RETIRED LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY
15 SHERIFF. ERROL JAY VAN HORNE, ALSO RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE
16 VALLEY, 32 YEARS IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
17 DEPARTMENT, RETIRED AS A CAPTAIN, WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE
18 CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND THE CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON
19 IN L.A. COUNTY. LINDA MENK, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE VALLEY.
20 ALSO A GRADUATE OF PALMDALE HIGH SCHOOL. KEVIN ANTHONY FARLEY,
21 A GRADUATE PALMDALE HIGH SCHOOL, WORKED IN THE CONSTRUCTION
22 AND CARPENTRY BUSINESS. HORACE "BUD" AVEN. HE WAS A LONGTIME
23 RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF SAN
24 DIEGO STATE. AND THEN RETURNED TO LANCASTER WHERE HE WORKED
25 FOR AVEN FURNITURE COMPANY. AND IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY



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1 WHERE HE WAS DRAFTED, HE WENT TO COUNTER INTELLIGENCE SCHOOL
2 AND WAS STATIONED IN GERMANY AS A JUNIOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICE
3 OFFICER. AND JACQUELINE CROUCH-AVERY, SHE WORKED FOR THE
4 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY AS A LIBRARY PAGE AND
5 SOON WAS PROMOTED TO LIBRARY AIDE AT THE QUARTZ HILL LIBRARY.
6 WAS VERY ACTIVE IN COMPLETING HER COLLEGE DEGREE WHILE RAISING
7 TWO TEENAGE DAUGHTERS. SO I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN FOR THOSE
8 INDIVIDUALS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND LET ME CALL UP NO. 1-H. IF WE COULD HAVE
13 THE DIRECTOR OF C.D.C.?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 1-H, MR. ROGAN HERE? MR.
16 ANTONOVICH, DO YOU WANT TO ASK YOUR QUESTION? I HAVE PUBLIC
17 SIGNED UP. DO YOU WANT TO DO THAT FIRST? GO AHEAD.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK THE QUESTIONS. MR. ROGAN, DOES THE
20 C.D.C. PERFORM BACKGROUND CHECKS ON ALL SECTION 8 TENANTS?

21

22 **SEAN ROGAN:** YES.

23



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DO YOU PERFORM OUR OWN C.D.C. BACKGROUND
2 CHECKS ON TENANTS WHO POUR IN FROM OTHER I JURISDICTIONS, LIKE
3 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.

4

5 **SEAN ROGAN:** YES, WE DO.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE
8 COMPLIANCE SECTION?

9

10 **SEAN ROGAN:** THE CURRENT BUDGET IS \$1.6 MILLION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MUCH IS THAT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?

13

14 **SEAN ROGAN:** AT THIS POINT IN TIME WE'RE BUDGETING ABOUT
15 \$475,000 FROM HUD. AND THEN WE TYPICALLY MAKE UP THE
16 DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF THE DOLLAR AMOUNTS THAT ARE RECOVERED
17 BY FRAUD AND THROUGH FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS, WHICH LAST YEAR WAS
18 ABOUT 272,000.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT ARE YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES FROM
21 OUR INDIVIDUAL CITIES, BOARD OFFICES THAT PAY FOR ADDITIONAL
22 RESOURCES?

23

24 **SEAN ROGAN:** YES. RIGHT NOW WE RECEIVE ABOUT \$420,000 FROM THE
25 CITIES AND COUNTIES, AND ABOUT \$45,000 FROM U.S. D.O.G. SO



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1 THOSE RESOURCES COME FROM YOUR BOARD OFFICE, FOR EXAMPLE, AND
2 THE CITY OF LANCASTER AND PALMDALE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW BOARD OFFICES AND CITIES LIKE LANCASTER
5 AND PALMDALE ARE UNABLE TO PAY FOR THE ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT
6 INDEFINITELY. SO HOW WOULD YOU PAY FOR THE ENFORCEMENT IN THE
7 EVENT THAT SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING WOULD BE PHASED OUT?

8

9 **SEAN ROGAN:** WE'RE ACTUALLY LOOKING AT A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT
10 OPTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR US. FOR EXAMPLE, WE'RE LOOKING
11 TO CONTRACT WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS IT RELATES TO
12 THOSE AREAS THAT THEY COVER SO THAT WE CAN CROSS-CHECK
13 VOUCHERS WITH CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS
14 PROVEN TO BE VERY EFFECTIVE AS IT RELATES TO WHAT WE DO IN THE
15 PUBLIC HOUSING SIDE. WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT HOW BEST TO
16 ESTABLISH A PROTOCOL TO THEN PROVIDE FOR INVESTIGATIONS SO
17 THAT STAFF IS MOST EFFICIENT IN TERMS OF PROVIDING PROACTIVE
18 ENFORCEMENT. AND WE'RE CONTINUING TO LOOK AT OUR BUDGET TO
19 MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THE PROPER STAFFING IN PLACE TO PROVIDE
20 PROGRAM INTEGRITY AS WELL AS PROACTIVE ENFORCEMENT. SO WE'RE
21 GOING TO LOOK AT A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT TOOLS, NOT JUST ON THE
22 STAFFING SIDE, BUT THINGS THAT WE CAN DO IN-HOUSE IN TERMS OF
23 CONTRACTING WITH THE SHERIFF AS WELL AS THINGS THAT WE MIGHT
24 BE ABLE TO DO THROUGH THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE PAST, MY OFFICE HAD BEEN TOLD THAT
2 C.D.C. COULD NOT TERMINATE A LANDLORD FROM THE PROGRAM, IS
3 THAT CORRECT?

4

5 **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S ACTUALLY INCORRECT. WE HAVE WITH OWNERS A
6 CONTRACT SIMILAR TO CONTRACTS THAT WE HAVE WITH TENANTS. AND
7 ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RULES AND REQUIREMENTS, AN OWNER CAN BE
8 TERMINATED.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT ARE THE PROCEDURES NECESSARY TO
11 TERMINATE A LANDLORD?

12

13 **SEAN ROGAN:** YOU KNOW, THE PROCEDURES ARE GOING TO VARY BASED
14 ON THE OFFENSE. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, IF A UNIT FAILS A HOUSING
15 QUALITY STANDARD INSPECTION, THE LANDLORD IS TYPICALLY GIVEN A
16 30-DAY NOTICE TO CORRECT. WE ALSO DISCONTINUE PAYING THEIR
17 H.A.P. ASSISTANCE. AND IF THEY DON'T CORRECT WITHIN 30 DAYS,
18 THEY WOULD THEN BE TERMINATED. IF, FOR EXAMPLE, WE FIND THAT
19 FRAUD IS BEING COMMITTED BY A LANDLORD, THEN WHAT WE DO IS WE
20 DO THE PROPER INVESTIGATION AND ESTABLISH THAT FRAUD HAS BEEN
21 COMMITTED. WE THEN TERMINATE THE CONTRACT WITH THE OWNER. AND
22 THEN WE LOOK TO GO AFTER THE OWNER FOR ANY MONIES THAT MAY
23 HAVE BEEN EXPENDED FRAUDULENTLY.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD YOU REPORT BACK IN A COUPLE WEEKS ON
2 HOW YOU WOULD RECOMMEND TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF PROBLEM
3 LANDLORDS? BECAUSE I KNOW WE'VE HAD SOME IN THE VALLEY.

4

5 **SEAN ROGAN:** CERTAINLY WE CAN PUT TOGETHER SOME OF THE THINGS
6 WE'RE LOOKING AT. THERE ARE ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES THAT WE'RE
7 LOOKING AT AS IT RELATES TO LANDLORDS. THERE ARE CHANGES THAT
8 WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO MAKE IN TERMS OF THE LANDLORD H.A.P.
9 CONTRACT. AND WE'RE WORKING WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ON SOME OF
10 THOSE ISSUES RIGHT NOW. SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS, GIVE ME
11 ABOUT 30 DAYS SO THAT I CAN CONTINUE TO WORK WITH COUNTY
12 COUNSEL AND STAFF SO THAT WHEN I COME BACK, I CAN GIVE YOU A
13 REPORT OF SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE GOING TO LOOK TO
14 IMPLEMENT.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN DOCUMENTED, CRIME-RIDDEN NEIGHBORHOODS,
17 CAN C.D.C. DENY LANDLORD REQUESTS TO ESTABLISH NEW SECTION 8
18 RESIDENCES IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD?

19

20 **SEAN ROGAN:** THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS JUST RECENTLY COME
21 UNDER DISCUSSION WITH MY STAFF. THE SHORT ANSWER IS WE CAN'T
22 NECESSARILY PROVIDE A MORATORIUM IN TERMS OF CRIME-RIDDEN
23 AREAS, BUT WE ARE LOOKING AT HOW BEST TO ADJUST OUR
24 ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY. WE'RE LOOKING AT HOW BEST TO WORK WITH
25 HUD. AND THEN WE'RE LOOKING TO IMPLEMENT SOME TYPE OF POLICY



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1 AND PROCEDURE THAT WOULD DISALLOW A NEW VOUCHER, FOR EXAMPLE,
2 IN AN AREA OR A COMPLEX HIGH IN CRIME. I THINK EVERYONE WOULD
3 AGREE THAT IF YOU HAD AN APARTMENT COMPLEX, FOR EXAMPLE, WHERE
4 THERE WAS A HIGH DEGREE OF DRUG DEALING, A HIGH DEGREE OF GANG
5 ACTIVITY, A HIGH DEGREE OF OTHER TYPE OF CRIME, THAT YOU WOULD
6 NOT WANT TO ISSUE A NEW VOUCHER TO THAT COMPLEX. SO WHAT WE
7 NEED TO DO IS TAKE A LOOK AT THE DETAIL THAT IS REQUIRED TO
8 ESTABLISHING THOSE AREAS AND THEN ADJUST OUR POLICY
9 ACCORDINGLY.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE YOU PROVIDED THE CITIES OF LANCASTER AND
12 PALMDALE WITH THE LIST OF ALL SECTION 8 VOUCHER HOLDERS
13 RESIDING IN THEIR RESPECTIVE CITIES?

14

15 **SEAN ROGAN:** YES, WE HAVE.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HAS C.D.C. SENT THOSE LANDLORDS A LETTER
18 REMINDING THEM OF THE OBLIGATION TO SECURE BUSINESS LICENSES
19 FROM THE CITIES THEY OPERATE IN?

20

21 **SEAN ROGAN:** WE HAVE FOR ONE OF THE CITIES AND WE'RE GETTING
22 READY TO DO IT FOR BOTH.

23



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND AS THE MANAGER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY,
2 HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE COMPLIANCE-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE
3 AGENCY'S ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN?

4

5 **SEAN ROGAN:** IT'S A CONTINUOUS REVIEW. SO THE ANSWER IS I HAVE
6 BEGUN TO REVIEW POLICIES. I HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED A DIRECTIVE
7 TO STAFF THAT WE NOT ONLY ENFORCE OUR CONTRACTS WITH TENANTS
8 BUT WE ALSO ENFORCE OUR CONTRACTS WITH LANDLORDS. AND WE
9 CERTAINLY HAVE BEGUN THAT SHIFT IN ATTITUDE IN TERMS OF
10 LOOKING AT PROGRAM INTEGRITY AND ENFORCEMENT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. ANY CHANGES YOU BRING BEFORE BEFORE THE
13 BOARD WITH RECOMMENDATIONS?

14

15 **SEAN ROGAN:** THERE WILL BE CHANGES THAT WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN
16 TERMS OF A NUMBER OF ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES, NOT ONLY ON THE
17 ENFORCEMENT SIDE BUT ALSO OTHER ITEMS THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO
18 TO BETTER PROVIDE FOR PROGRAM INTEGRITY AND COMPLIANCE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SEAN ROGAN:** THANK YOU.

23



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. WE HAD A MEMBER OF THE
2 PUBLIC. I BELIEVE WE HAVE A LANCASTER HOOKUP, IF I'M CORRECT,
3 ON ITEM 1-H. NICOLE PARSON?

4

5 **NICOLE PARSON:** YES, HI, HELLO. I'M COMPLETELY OPPOSED TO 1-H
6 AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE C.D.C. FOR THIS PROGRAM IN WHICH
7 I CREATE IT. AND HE'S TOTALLY CHANGING, I MEAN THE DEPARTMENT
8 IS TOTALLY CHANGING EVERYTHING ABOUT IT. AND THEY'RE ROBBING
9 HEARTS. THEY'RE ROBBING THE HEART OF THE CITIZENS THAT ARE THE
10 RECIPIENTS OF SECTION 8. BECAUSE HOPE 6 WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THE
11 HEART OF SECTION 8. AND FOR WHAT YOU ALL KNOW, THE SENATE IS
12 IN SESSION WITH THE SUBCOMMITTEE RIGHT NOW DISCUSSING THE
13 AWARD FEES AND THE BEST REMEDIES. AND SO I ASK AT LEAST FOR
14 TWO WEEKS OR AS LONG AS UNTIL THEY COME WITH RULES, I DON'T
15 WANT MY PROGRAM IMPLEMENTED. AND ESPECIALLY I'M NOT EVEN ON
16 THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD. I DON'T -- OKAY. AND IN SO MANY
17 INSTANCES I'VE CALLED THE POLICE. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
18 LIKE 20 TIMES. OKAY, THEY DON'T COME. THEY'RE NOT ON -- I
19 DON'T KNOW, THE CITIZENS SIDE, MY SITE, YOU GUYS TOTALLY
20 CANNOT DO THIS PROGRAM UNTIL WE GET SOME STUFF SETTLED. HOW
21 DID MR. MAYOR ASK, HOW, PLEASE. I JUST, HOW DID MY CHILD, WHEN
22 MY CHILD WAS TAKEN, I WAS SO HAPPY THAT I HAD SUBMITTED THIS
23 THING FOR HOPE, FOR HOUSING AND THE SOCIAL WORKER HE ASKED.
24 AND I WAS SO HAPPY. AND MY CHILD GETS TAKEN AWAY FOR THIS? AND
25 I MEAN, HOW MUCH MORE DO I HAVE TO ENDURE? THE HOUSING



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1 AUTHORITIES, THEY NEVER GAVE US RELOCATION. AND I MEAN, WAS
2 THIS PART IS GOOD AND YOU GUYS ARE ADDING LEGAL REPRESENTATION
3 AND THAT'S GOOD. BUT, OKAY, AND THEN MR. ANTONOVICH'S ANIMAL
4 SHELTER, OUR ANIMAL SHELTER. I WAS GOING TO ASK IF YOU GUYS
5 COULD DO THE PILOT PROGRAM TO REDUCE THE RATES FOR WITHIN THE,
6 UNDER THE SOCIAL WELFARE PROVISION. AND YOU'RE RAISING THE
7 RATES AFTER THE GRANT MONEY TO EXPAND AND ADMINISTER THE
8 PROGRAM? YOU GAVE THEM MONEY, NOW THEY'RE RAISING THE RATES.
9 MY DOG, SADIE, DIED ON SEPTEMBER 8TH WHEN I CALLED YOUR
10 OFFICE, MR. ANTONOVICH. AND IT WAS RELATED TO BEING A PIT
11 BULL. AND I SAID I CAN'T AFFORD, I GOT TWO DOGS OUT, \$256 FOR
12 ONE DOG. AND HE WAS A PIT BULL. SADIE WASN'T, EITHER.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU. MOVED BY
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 2.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON A SECOND.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE WAS NOTHING PRESENTED TO US. MR.
23 ROGAN, ARE YOU STILL BACK THERE, PLEASE? CAN YOU COME UP.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ASK SEAN ROGAN TO COME BACK? I THOUGHT YOU
2 WERE GOING TO MAKE A CORRECTION TO THIS.

3

4 **SEAN ROGAN:** I'M SORRY. COULD YOU REPEAT THE QUESTION PLEASE?

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO MAKE A
7 CORRECTION TO THIS ITEM. CAN WE HOLD THIS ON THE DESK?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVE RECONSIDERATION.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MOVED.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CHAIR WILL SECOND. AND WE'LL PUT IT ON
14 THE TABLE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 2, I HAVE AN AMENDMENT COAUTHORED BY
17 MR. YAROSLAVSKY. "THE WELFARE AND OVERALL WELL-BEING OF
18 CHILDREN, FIRST AND FOREMOST RESPONSIBILITY OF BOTH PARENTS.
19 WHEN BIRTH PARENTS ENDANGER THEIR CHILDREN, CHILD WELFARE MUST
20 BECOME THE SHARED RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS,
21 NONCOUNTY AGENCIES, AND COMMUNITY-BASED PARTNERS SERVING THOSE
22 FAMILIES. THROUGH MOTIONS ON JUNE 24TH, 2008, MAY 26TH, 2009,
23 JUNE 30TH, 2009, UNANIMOUSLY THE BOARD DIRECTED THE C.E.O. TO
24 PROGRESSIVELY EXPAND, ENHANCE AND ASSURE FULL UTILIZATION OF
25 THE COUNTY'S FAMILY AND CHILD INDEX, F.C.I., A CENTRALIZED



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1 DATABASE THAT TIES TOGETHER BASIC DATA ABOUT FAMILIES AND
2 CHILDREN THROUGH RELEVANT CONTACT WITH PARTICIPATING PUBLIC
3 AGENCIES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS AT-RISK FOR ABUSE AND
4 NEGLECT. HOWEVER, CONSISTENT SPECIALIZED MEDICAL MENTAL HEALTH
5 ASSESSMENTS OF CERTAIN AT-RISK CHILDREN AND FAMILIES MUST ALSO
6 OCCUR TO ADEQUATELY IDENTIFY AND PREVENT CHILD ENDANGERMENT
7 AND/OR DEATH. TWO RECENT CHILD FATALITIES HAVE RAISED AMONG
8 OTHER ISSUES SIGNIFICANT CONCERNS ABOUT WHETHER CHILDREN UNDER
9 INVESTIGATION FOR SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE ARE BEING ASSESSED
10 CONSISTENTLY BY MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. IN
11 MANY INSTANCES, THE CHILD'S FAMILY CHOOSES THE LOCAL MEDICAL
12 OR MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL, WHO WILL PROVIDE AN EXPERT
13 OPINION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
14 DURING THE EARLY STAGES OF A CHILD'S ABUSE INVESTIGATION.
15 THESE CLINICIANS MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE THE NECESSARY EXPERIENCE
16 OR EXPERTISE IN INTERVIEWING ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN OR
17 IN DETECTING THE CHILD ABUSE PROPENSITIES OF THE PARENTS OR
18 CAREGIVERS WITH WHOM THE CHILD REMAINS DURING THE COURSE OF
19 THE INVESTIGATION. CURRENTLY WITHIN THE COUNTY'S NETWORK OF
20 COUNTY-RUN MEDICAL HUBS, FORENSICALLY TRAINED DOCTORS ASSESS
21 THE MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF CHILDREN NEWLY DETAINED
22 FROM THEIR BIRTH PARENTS FOR SUBSTANTIATED ABUSE AND NEGLECT.
23 THE RECENT TRAGEDIES REVEAL THE NEED TO EXPAND THE CRITERIA
24 FOR MEDICAL HUB ASSESSMENT TO INCLUDE A SELECT NUMBER OF
25 CHILDREN WHO REMAIN IN THE HOMES OF THEIR BIRTH PARENTS WHILE



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1 A CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATION IS UNDERWAY. THIS WILL ALLOW
2 FORENSICALLY TRAINED CHILD ABUSE EXPERTS TO ASSESS THE FAMILY
3 HOLISTICALLY IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD. SO WE WOULD
4 THEREFORE AMEND THE MOTION TO MOVE THAT IN ADDITION TO THE
5 PILOT TO BE ADMINISTERED AT THE L.A.C.+U.S.C. EAST OF THE SAN
6 GABRIEL VALLEY MEDICAL HUB AS PROPOSED IN TODAY'S BOARD AGENDA
7 ITEM 2, THE BOARD ALSO DIRECT THE C.E.O. IN CONJUNCTION WITH
8 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, HEALTH AND
9 MENTAL HEALTH TO REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS WHETHER AN EXPANSION
10 OF MEDICAL HUB CAPACITY COUNTYWIDE TO ACCOMMODATE THE
11 ASSESSMENT OF THE SPECIFIC NON-DETAINED CHILDREN MEETS THE
12 CRITERIA FOR KATIE A. FUNDING. IF SO, THE DEVELOPMENT OF
13 POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND STANDARDIZED CRITERIA TO IDENTIFY THE
14 NON-DETAINED CHILDREN, INCLUDING THOSE IN EARLY CHILD ABUSE
15 INVESTIGATION STAGE WHO SHOULD RECEIVE FORENSIC MEDAL AND
16 MEDICAL HEALTH ASSESSMENTS THROUGH MEDICAL HUBS. AND THREE,
17 THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PROTOCOL AND PROCESS BY WHICH COUNTY
18 CONTRACTED HEALTH CLINICS CAN REFER REQUESTS FOR FORENSIC
19 CHILD ABUSE EXAMINATIONS TO THE MEDICAL HUBS."

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, CAN I ASK YOUR INDULGENCE?

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL OF THIS UNDER ITEM 2 SINCE A LOT OF
24 COLLABORATIVE KIND OF TESTIMONY.



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, CAN I JUST INTERJECT? WE CAN
4 TAKE CARE OF ITEM 1-H IN ABOUT TEN SECONDS.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND LET SEAN GO. MR. ROGAN?

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, SEPARATE FROM THIS?

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SEAN, DO YOU WANT TO JUST READ IN THAT
15 CLAUSE?

16

17 **SEAN ROGAN:** HI, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. AS IT RELATES TO THE
18 RESOLUTION, I WOULD LIKE TO AMEND SOME LANGUAGE UNDER
19 PARAGRAPH 2, SUBSECTION A. STARTING WITH THE SENTENCE "THE
20 HOUSING AUTHORITY IS REQUIRED TO DENY ADMISSION TO THE
21 APPLICANT OR ANY HOUSEHOLD MEMBER EVICTED FROM PUBLIC HOUSING,
22 INDIAN HOUSING, SECTION 23, OR ANY FEDERALLY-ASSISTED HOUSING
23 PROGRAM BECAUSE OF A DRUG-RELATED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY FOR A
24 THREE-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING ON THE DATE OF" AND THIS IS WHERE
25 THE CHANGE IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE, "OF SUCH EVICTION." SO



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1 WE'RE GOING TO ADD THE WORD EVICTION. AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO
2 INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE, "HOWEVER, THE HOUSING
3 AUTHORITY MAY WAIVE THE THREE-YEAR PROBATION." AND THEN THAT
4 WILL THEN CONCLUDE WITH PERIOD. "IF THE PERSON WHO COMMITTED
5 THE DRUG-RELATED CRIME" ET CETERA, ET CETERA. SO WHAT WE ARE
6 GOING TO DO IS AGAIN GO TO THE BEGINNING OF THE DATE OF SUCH
7 EVICTION AND THEN INCLUDE THE SENTENCE "HOWEVER, THE HOUSING
8 AUTHORITY MAY WAIVE THE THREE-YEAR PROBATION." AND THEN IT
9 WILL INCLUDE WITH A PERIOD.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU CAN GIVE A COPY OF IT TO THE CLERK. THIS
12 IS NOT A SUBSTAN-- THIS IS JUST TO RESOLVE WHAT WAS A
13 CONTRADICTORY THING.

14

15 **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT IS CORRECT. THIS PROVIDES CLARITY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT WAS JUST AN ERROR ON THEIR PART. I WANTED
18 TO MAKE SURE I GOT THAT IN. SO I MOVE IT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THAT MOVED, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
22 BACK TO ITEM 2.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. I WAS WONDERING, BECAUSE ON THIS ISSUE
25 OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES, IF WE COULD HANDLE IT ALL TOGETHER, I



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1 THINK IT WOULD BE REALLY WORTHWHILE. I APPLAUD SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH AND YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION ON THIS. I THINK THIS IS
3 REALLY TAKING US TO A MORE COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH AS TO HOW TO
4 ADDRESS SOME OF THESE ISSUES. SO I DON'T KNOW HOW WE WANT TO
5 BEGIN. I HAVE A MOTION ON THIS, AS WELL.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SEPARATE THAN WHAT'S ON THE TABLE?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, THIS IS ONE MOTION. BUT THE REASON IS, IT
10 COMPLIMENTS WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE. WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING --
11 MY MOTION BASICALLY BEGINS THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO MAKE SURE
12 THAT WE'RE GETTING A REPORT BACK ON HOW WE'RE GOING TO GET
13 CHILDREN -- WE ALREADY HAVE THE HUB. AND I THINK DR. HEGER
14 HERE AT MACLAREN AND TALK ABOUT THE PROTOCOLS WE USE THERE.
15 BUT TO MAKE IT A RESPONSIBILITY THAT CHILDREN BE REFERRED
16 THERE. AND THERE YOU HAVE A WHOLE COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH, A
17 WHOLE FORENSIC APPROACH AS TO HOW THAT ASSESSMENT IS MADE THAT
18 IS COORDINATED NOT ONLY WITH HEALTHCARE SERVICES, MEDICAL
19 DOCTORS, BUT ALSO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND OTHER
20 RESPONSIBILITIES THAT STRESSED PARENTS OR CAREGIVERS MAY HAVE.
21 BUT, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO
22 ADD A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO YOUR MOTION SO THAT WE HAVE A
23 COORDINATED EFFORT. I HAVE BEEN A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED AS TO
24 WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THIS HEALTH CLINIC. AND ITS STATEMENTS
25 THAT IT'S MAKING WITH REGARD TO WHETHER THEY DID WHAT THEY DID



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1 AND THE KIND OF POINTING FINGERS, I GUESS, IS WHAT I WOULD
2 SAY. AND I THINK IT'S A DISJOINTED RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE
3 COLLECTIVELY HAVE TO A CHILD. AND I DON'T THINK IT MAKES SENSE
4 TO SIT THERE AND HAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE. I WAS PARTICULARLY
5 CONCERNED WITH THE L.A.P.D. STANDING UP AND POINTING FINGERS,
6 AS WELL, AND NOT REALLY -- I MEAN, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THEY'RE
7 ISSUING TO THE PRESS AND THE KIND OF STATEMENTS THAT THEY'RE
8 MAKING. I THINK THERE HAS TO BE SOME KIND OF CLEAR
9 UNDERSTANDING WHEN IT COMES TO THE INTERESTS OF THE CHILD OR
10 AT LEAST TO DISSECT WHAT WENT WRONG WHEN A CHILD DIES, IT
11 REALLY REQUIRES EVERYONE TO COME TO THE TABLE AND SORT THAT
12 OUT AND NOT START PONTIFICATING AT ONE END AS TO WHAT IS AND
13 WHAT SHOULD BE DONE. NOW, GRANTED, THERE ARE A LOT OF ISSUES.
14 I, TOO, HAVE CRITICISMS AND CONCERNS ABOUT HOW THESE
15 CHILDREN'S CASES WERE HANDLED. BUT I DO THINK THAT ONE OF THE
16 THINGS AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE HUBS COUNTY-WIDE, WHICH
17 WOULD BE A GREAT THING, IS TO FIND A WAY THAT ALL OF THE
18 RELATED POLICE DEPARTMENTS, ALL OF THE RELATED CLINICS,
19 PRIVATE, NONPROFIT, HAVE THE SAME SET OF PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITY
20 TO BEFORE THEY GO OFF AND POINT FINGERS AND START MAKING THESE
21 DETERMINATIONS IS THEY HAVE -- WE CREATE SOME KIND OF
22 MECHANISM -- AND HELP ME HERE, I'M NOT SURE I KNOW THE ANSWER,
23 SOME KIND OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY HAVE TO
24 WORK WITH CHILDREN'S SERVICES, WHO REALLY IS THE ULTIMATE
25 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CHILD, TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY IS



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1 COOPERATIVE IN THAT REGARD. SO IF THE HUBS HAVE A WORKING
2 RELATIONSHIP, LET'S SAY IT'S OUT THERE IN AN AREA WHERE IT HAS
3 A PRIVATE LAW ENFORCEMENT, THAT THEY HAVE THE SAME SET OF
4 PROTOCOLS AS THE SHERIFF DOES OR L.A.P.D. DOES. SO I'M ASKING
5 AND I'M NOT SURE WHAT IT IS THAT IN THE REPORT BACK THAT IT
6 LOOK AT HOW WE WOULD IMPLEMENT IT SO THAT THERE WOULD BE A
7 COORDINATED, COLLABORATIVE EFFORT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE
8 CHILD, UNDER SOME MECHANISM OF M.O.U.S, SOME KIND OF SET OF
9 PROTOCOLS AND PROCEDURES. BECAUSE OTHERWISE, EVERYONE WILL BE
10 DOING THEIR THING ALL OVER THE PLACE. AND I'M CONCERNED THAT
11 AT THE END OF THE DAY, YOU DON'T HAVE THE COMPREHENSIVE
12 APPROACH. SO IF I COULD JUST ADD THAT IN SOME FASHION.

13
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE, I WAS
15 INVOLVED WITH THE LEGISLATION FOR THE MEDICAL SIDE TO MAKE THE
16 REPORTS AND THE SCHOOL SIDE THAT MAKE THESE REPORTS. BUT
17 YOU'RE OBVIOUSLY RIGHT. THEY SHOULD BE FOLLOWING THE SAME
18 PROTOCOL SO AGENCY A KNOWS WHAT AGENCY B IS RESPONDING TO.

19
20 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT.

21
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND, BILL, COULD WE HAVE THAT AS AN INCLUSION
23 TO REPORT BACK ON HOW WE CAN IMPLEMENT A UNIFORM?



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I THINK THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT
2 WOULD BE THAT JUST A CONSISTENT -- THE THING THAT CONCERNS ME,
3 I MEAN OBVIOUSLY THERE'S NO DOUBT IN ANY OF OUR MINDS WHAT HAS
4 HAPPENED THE LAST FEW WEEKS IS A TRAGEDY, AND OUT OF THAT. BUT
5 IN ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT MOTIONS, THAT THE ULTIMATE GOAL OUT
6 OF ALL THE MOTIONS AS IT RELATES TO THIS THAT THE BENEFIT OF
7 THE CHILD AT THE END IS SOME IS SET OF PROTOCOLS THAT'S
8 CONSISTENT THAT'S OUT THERE SO THAT EVERY ENTITY KNOWS WHAT TO
9 DO. IF YOU WANT TO MAKE THAT FRIENDLY?

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DO. I WANT TO DO IT. BUT ALSO SO THAT IT SHOULD
12 BE INCLUDED. AND I THINK THE C.A.O. NEEDS TO WRESTLE WITH
13 WHERE IT IS GOING TO PLACE THE FULL ACCOUNTABILITY OF THIS
14 COLLECTIVE PROCESS. NOW, I GUESS IT WOULD BE IN CHILDREN'S
15 SERVICES, BUT I'M CONCERNED NOW THAT THEY HAVE THAT
16 RESPONSIBILITY TODAY. AND I DON'T KNOW, IN SOME OF THESE
17 REFERRALS, THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE MONITORING GOING ON IN THE
18 AREA OF MENTAL HEALTH WHERE THEY DO THESE REFERRALS TO
19 SOMEBODY. BUT THERE ISN'T ANYBODY OVER THERE TO CATCH THAT
20 SITUATION AND TO BRING IT BACK AROUND. SO I GUESS I AM SAYING
21 THE C.A.O. SHOULD LOOK AT IT, BUT I THINK IT HAS A DEEP SENSE
22 OF RESPONSIBILITY TO FIGURE OUT WHERE IS THE ACCOUNTABILITY
23 GOING TO BE? SO IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE AN ENTITY, A
24 DEPARTMENT, AN INDIVIDUAL. IT'S LIKE ANYTHING ELSE, IF IT'S
25 GOING TO BE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF



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1 MENTAL HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SOCIAL SERVICES, THE
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, L.A.P.D., ALL OF THESE FOLKS ARE ALL
3 GOING TO SAY YES TO US. AND THEN WHEN AN INCIDENT HAPPENS,
4 THEY ARE ALL GOING TO RUN BACK TO THEIR CORNER AND POINT
5 FINGERS. SO YOU NEED TO ALSO FIND A PLACE THAT'S GOING TO BE
6 REALLY THE ANCHOR FOR THIS COOPERATIVE, COLLABORATIVE
7 RESPONSIBILITY.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, THE ONE
10 THING THAT I HOPE IS THAT THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE LOOKING FOR
11 BETTER WAYS AS TO OVERSIGHT, AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA MENTIONED.
12 BUT ALSO THAT THERE'S BETTER GUIDANCE GIVEN IN THE FIELD AS TO
13 THE INPUT IN HOW THAT'S TRANSFERRED. PARTICULARLY THE FEEDBACK
14 ON THE DECISIONS THAT SOCIAL WORKERS ARE MAKING. I MEAN, I
15 REALLY THINK IT'S JUST NOT FAIR FOR ONE PERSON TO BE LEFT FOR
16 HUGE DECISIONS IMPACTING A CHILD'S LIFE. SO THAT'S JUST NOT
17 REASONABLE. BUT CERTAINLY, AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA INDICATED,
18 THERE WOULD BE A PROTOCOL FOR REVIEW AND ACCOUNTABILITY. BUT
19 MOST IMPORTANTLY, JUST THAT THERE'S SOME SUBSET THAT ALLOWS
20 FOR THE SOCIAL WORKER TO SEEK ASSISTANCE, AS WELL, TOO.
21 THERE'S JUST A LOT OUT THERE IN ALL THESE MOTIONS. SOMEHOW WE
22 NEED TO -- AGAIN LIKE YOU SAY, I'M NOT SURE HOW TO BRING IT
23 ALL TOGETHER. BUT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? I'M SORRY.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WAS GOING TO INTRODUCE MY MOTION, AS WELL. I
2 THINK I READ IT LAST WEEK IN. AND WE DO HAVE SOME PEOPLE THAT
3 WANT TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. BUT MAYBE WE SHOULD PUT ALL OF OUR
4 MOTIONS ON THE TABLE SO THAT EVERYBODY KNOWS EXACTLY THE KIND
5 OF POINT WE'RE GOING TO GET TO. AND THEN WE CAN ALL SPEAK TO
6 IT AND HAVE SOME OF OUR SPEAKERS ADDRESS SOME OF THESE ISSUES.
7 THE MOTION THAT I PUT IN LAST WEEK DOES A COUPLE OF THINGS, OR
8 I WANT IT TO ACCOMPLISH A COUPLE OF THINGS. FIRST OF ALL, IT
9 IS GOING TO GO THROUGH A MECHANISM TO ASK FOR A REPORT BACK.
10 BUT NUMBER ONE, IN THE INSTANCE OF THE TWO DEATHS THAT WE HAD
11 MOST RECENTLY WITH THESE CHILDREN, THERE JUST DOESN'T SEEM TO
12 BE THE KIND OF OUTCOME THAT YOU'D SEE OF PROFESSIONALS WITHIN
13 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SERVICES. WHEN YOU HAVE TRAINED
14 M.S.W.S, ONE'S ASSUMPTION IS, PARTICULARLY EMPOWERED TO TAKE
15 AWAY CHILDREN OUT OF A HOME WHERE THERE MAY BE POTENTIAL ABUSE
16 OR NEGLECT, THAT WHEN YOU EMPOWER THEM WITH THESE KINDS OF
17 RESPONSIBILITIES AND HOPEFULLY PROVIDE THE RESOURCES, WHICH OF
18 COURSE SOME PEOPLE ALWAYS QUESTION US AS TO WHETHER WE HAVE
19 ENOUGH RESOURCES IN PLACE TO DO ALL OF THE KINDS OF THINGS
20 THAT WE NEED TO DO, BUT THEY ARE CLEARLY EMPOWERED TO DO THESE
21 THINGS AND THERE'S A SET OF RESPONSIBILITIES THAT GO ON. BUT
22 UNFORTUNATELY, EVERY TIME WE SEE A CHILD DEATH AND WE GO
23 BACKWARDS TO SAY WHAT HAPPENED, WE ALWAYS FIND THAT THERE WERE
24 ERRORS OR DISCREPANCIES OR OUT-AND-OUT FIBS ABOUT WHAT WORK
25 THE SOCIAL WORKERS CARRIED OUT. IN OTHER WORDS, DID THEY



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1 MONITOR THAT CHILD? DID THEY MAKE SURE THAT THAT DOCTOR HAD
2 VISITED THAT CHILD, THAT THE CHILD VISITED THE DOCTOR? DO THEY
3 HAVE THAT DOCUMENTED IN THE FILE? IS, IN FACT, THAT CARETAKER
4 CAPABLE OF TAKING CARE OF THAT CHILD? HAVE THEY EVALUATED THE
5 MENTAL HEALTH OF THE CARETAKER OR THE NEEDS OF THE CHILD? ALL
6 OF THOSE THINGS ARE ASSUMPTIONS THAT SOME OF US WHO ARE NOT
7 PROFESSIONALS IN THE AREA ASSUME THAT THE DEPARTMENT AND
8 CHILDREN SERVICES AND PROFESSIONALS ARE TAKING CARE OF. BUT
9 WHEN YOU SEE A CHILD DIE, WHEN THE CHILD IN POMONA DIED OF
10 STARVATION, THIS MOST RECENT CHILD THAT WAS DECAPITATED, AND
11 OF COURSE DAE'VON, WHO WAS BEATEN TO DEATH, ALL OF THIS SAYS
12 THAT SOMEWHERE IN THE PROCESS, EITHER THROUGH REPORTING
13 MECHANISMS, THROUGH FOLLOW-UP OF OUR DEPARTMENTS, RELIANCE ON
14 OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS AND AGENCIES TO DO THE ASSESSMENTS AND
15 REVIEWS, SOMETHING DID NOT HAPPEN. SOMETHING FELL THROUGH THE
16 CRACKS. SO I'M ASKING, NUMBER ONE, THAT WE CREATE-- AND OUR
17 COMPUTER SYSTEM IS SOPHISTICATED ENOUGH TO DO THAT, TO ADD AN
18 ADDITIONAL LAYER OF MONITORING. AND IT'S VERY SIMPLE. LIKE
19 MANY OF US WHEN WE ASK FOR A CREDIT CARD ON THE INTERNET OR WE
20 DEVELOP A WEBSITE, IT HAS MANDATED RESPONSIBILITIES AND IT
21 DOESN'T LET YOU GO ON TO THE NEXT SCREEN UNTIL YOU FILL IN THE
22 FOLLOWING INFORMATION. AND SO IT IS GOING TO HAVE THAT KIND OF
23 DATA REQUIRED AND THAT KIND OF COMPUTER MONITORING FOR THE
24 SOCIAL WORKER, THE CASE CARRYING SOCIAL WORKER. IT IS GOING TO
25 HAVE THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE SUPERVISING SOCIAL WORKER,



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1 THAT THEY REVIEWED THE FILE, THAT THEY MADE SURE THOSE
2 DOCUMENTS WERE THERE. AND IT IS ALSO GOING TO GO ALL THE WAY
3 UP TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS IN OVERSEEING THESE CASES
4 THROUGH SOME KIND OF BASIC, SIMPLE COMPUTER SCREEN. BECAUSE
5 HAVING THEM SIGN OFF ON IT, WHICH IS WHAT WE HAVE, OH, YES, I
6 REVIEWED THE CASE, HE SIGNED OFF ON IT. YOU GO BACK. WERE ALL
7 THE RECORDS IN PLACE? I DON'T REMEMBER. DO YOU KNOW IF IN FACT
8 THAT YOU REVIEWED AND SEE IF IT WAS SIGNED OFF BY A MEDICAL
9 DOCTOR? WELL, I'M NOT SURE. IF YOU DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF
10 CHECKLIST, IT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING. BECAUSE THEN YOU CAN'T
11 GET TO THE POINT OF WHAT IS IT THAT WE DID WRONG? OUR
12 RESPONSIBILITY HERE IS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PUTTING IN
13 PLACE ALL THE PROCEDURES, PROTOCOLS AND OF COURSE THE
14 RESOURCES THAT ARE NECESSARY TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE
15 ASSESSMENTS ARE PROPERLY MADE, THE DETERMINATIONS ARE
16 APPROPRIATELY MADE, THAT ALL OF THE DOCUMENTATION THAT WE NEED
17 TO GO TO COURT TO MAKE A CASE IS ALL AVAILABLE SO THAT AT THE
18 END OF THE DAY, WE ARE NOT MAKING THE MISTAKES ON OUR END.
19 THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT CHILDREN WILL NOT DIE. THAT IS
20 IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT AT ANY LEVEL. BUT I THINK THAT WE ARE
21 PUTTING IN PLACE WHEN IN FACT THERE IS A CALL FROM A MANDATED
22 REPORTER THAT THERE IS FOLLOW-UP, THAT THEY HAVE DONE ALL
23 THEIR DOCUMENTATION, THAT EVERYBODY MAKES SURE THAT THAT IS
24 DONE. WE DO THE FOLLOW-UP AND WHEN THERE IS OVERSIGHT AND
25 SOMEBODY'S MADE A DETERMINATION THAT THIS WAS AN UNFOUNDED



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1 KIND OF SET OF ALLEGATIONS THAT THERE'S OVERSIGHT. SOMEONE
2 ELSE HAS REVIEWED THAT. SO I'M ASKING FOR THAT TO COME BACK.
3 THEN SECONDLY IS THE COMPONENT VERY SIMILAR TO SUPERVISOR
4 ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR'S YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION. AND THAT IS
5 THAT UNDER MACLAREN, WE HAVE CREATED THIS VERY, VERY UNIQUE
6 MEDICAL HUB. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF IT. DR. HEGER IS REALLY THE
7 INSPIRATION FOR THAT. IT HAS A WHOLE SERIES OF PROFESSIONALS
8 THAT KNOW EXACTLY WHAT TO LOOK AT, HOW TO LOOK AT IT, HOW TO
9 MAKE SURE THAT THIS CHILD IS GOING TO BE PROTECTED. THIS IS
10 THE ADDITIONAL LAYER OF EXPERTS THAT WE NEED IN ORDER TO MAKE
11 SURE THAT THESE KINDS OF THINGS CAN BE PREVENTED IF AT ALL
12 POSSIBLE. SO WE'RE ASKING THAT THAT BE PUT IN PLACE AS A PILOT
13 TO MAKE SURE THAT IT WORKS, PROCEDURES, PROTOCOLS AND ALL THAT
14 NEEDS TO BE DONE. AND WE THINK THAT IT SHOULDN'T COST ANY MORE
15 MONEY. WE THINK IT CAN BE DONE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF WHAT WE
16 HAVE TODAY. SO I'D LIKE ALL THE OTHER MEMBERS TO PUT THEIR
17 MOTIONS ON THE TABLE AND THEN I'M GOING TO INVITE DR. HEGER
18 AND OTHERS TO COME UP AND ADDRESS THE BOARD.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'M
21 MINDFUL OF THE FACT THAT JUST A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, PURSUANT
22 TO A MOTION THAT WAS INTRODUCED ON APRIL THE 28TH, THAT THERE
23 WAS A REPORT FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO GIVE THE BOARD
24 GUIDANCE AND FEEDBACK ON THE MATTER BEFORE US IN THE GENERIC
25 SENSE. THIS MOTION THAT WAS INTRODUCED IN APRIL WAS PURSUANT



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1 TO WORK THAT WAS DONE THAT CHRONICLED A SERIES OF DEATHS THAT
2 CAUSED THE BOARD TO BE VERY CONCERNED. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME
3 THAT THE DISCUSSION THAT WE'RE HAVING NOW ABOUT THE TWO MOST
4 RECENT DEATHS CAN BEST BE MADE EFFECTIVE BY WHAT IS ALREADY
5 BEING EVIDENCED OF THE CONCERNS FROM VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE
6 BOARD. BUT WE RUN THE RISK, AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S CONCERN
7 HERE, BEING ONE OF HOW TO RECONCILE THESE VARIOUS IDEAS.
8 SHOULD WE NOT, MR. CHAIRMAN, THEN HAVE THE C.E.O. GO BACK TO
9 THE REPORT THAT WAS ISSUED ON JULY 24TH AND BRING ALL OF THESE
10 PIECES TOGETHER SO THAT IT IS COHERENT. A STRUCTURAL CHANGE,
11 IF IT IS TO BE EFFICACIOUS AT ALL, HAS TO BE COHERENT. AND I
12 THINK ALL OF US HAVE IDEAS TO MAKE MATTERS BETTER. SOME OF
13 THEM CAN BE INHERENTLY CONFLICTUAL. AND SO WHERE IS THE POINT
14 OF TRYING TO ARBITRATE AND/OR RECONCILE THE DIFFERENCES
15 BECOMES MY CONCERN, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND I DON'T KNOW THAT IT
16 HAPPENS IN ANY OTHER PLACE OTHER THAN THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
17 OFFICE. AND THAT OBVIOUSLY WITH THE INPUT OF THE DESIGNATED
18 DEPUTIES FROM THE RESPECTIVE BOARD OFFICES ALSO IN
19 CONSULTATION WITH THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
20 FAMILY SERVICES. ATTEMPTING TO DO SO HERE AND NOW STRIKES ME
21 AS RUNNING THE RISK OF JUST A DISJOINTED POLICY PROMULGATION
22 AT BEST. I'LL CONCLUDE ON THIS POINT. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT
23 THERE ARE ALREADY EXISTING LAWS THAT REQUIRE THE WAY IN WHICH
24 CLINICS AND SUCH ENTITIES OPERATE. THE QUESTION FOR ME IS
25 WHETHER THEY ARE IN COMPLIANCE OR NOT. AND THE QUESTION BEYOND



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1 THAT IS HOW DO WE KNOW WHETHER THEY ARE IN COMPLIANCE GOES TO
2 WHETHER THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES IS
3 MAINTAINING A REGULAR AUDIT SCHEDULE TO KNOW WHO, IN FACT,
4 HAPPENS TO BE IN THESE CLINICS, THE SERVICES THAT ARE
5 REQUIRED. EACH CLINIC, BY LAW, IS A MANDATORY REPORTER. AND
6 THE QUESTION THEN BECOMES: HOW MANY PERSONS ARE ON STAFF AT
7 ANY GIVEN TIME SEEING PATIENTS THAT KNOW WHAT, IN FACT, THEY
8 ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING WITH RESPECT TO FOLLOWING THROUGH
9 WHEN A CHILD IS AT RISK AND/OR IN DANGER IN AN ATTEMPT TO
10 AVOID THE TRAGIC CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WE'RE CONTENDING WITH NOW.
11 ONE ILLUSTRATION IS DAE'VON BAILEY. REGRETTABLY, THAT IS NOT
12 THE ONLY EXAMPLE. THEREFORE, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE'S A
13 GREAT NEED FOR MUCH MORE POLICY COHERENCE. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME
14 THAT THE MOTIONS SHOULD ALL BE TIED TOGETHER WITH THE IDEA OF
15 GOING TO A CENTRAL PLACE FOR FURTHER VETTING BEFORE ANYTHING
16 IS ADOPTED, OTHERWISE I FEAR THAT WE MAY NOT DO OUR BEST WORK,
17 MR. CHAIRMAN.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I CONCUR. I THINK THAT'S, AT THE END OF
20 THE DAY, THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO. THERE'S A LOT GOING ON OUT
21 THERE, AND ALL IN A RESPONSIBLE MANNER TRYING TO DO THE RIGHT
22 THING. EVEN THOUGH THE TIMES MAY INDICATE THAT WE RESPOND TO
23 THEM, IT'S REALLY NOT DOING THAT. IT'S RESPONDING TO PREVIOUS
24 THINGS THAT WE SET IN PLACE. AND OBVIOUSLY OUR ULTIMATE GOAL
25 IS TO HAVE ZERO DEATHS. AND IT'S TRAGIC. AND SOME INACCURACIES



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1 HAVE BEEN REPORTED. BUT TO HAVE A STRONG PROTOCOL IN PLACE AT
2 THE END OF THE DAY, BRINGING ALL THESE MOTIONS TOGETHER, I
3 THINK WOULD BE VERY APPROPRIATE.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN DO JUST THAT. WE CAN TAKE THE MOTIONS
6 THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND THEN OUR
7 EARLIER APRIL REPORT, AND BRING THAT TOGETHER, WORKING WITH
8 YOUR CHILDREN'S DEPUTIES AND HAVE ONE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. LOOK FORWARD TO THAT.
11 WE WOULD ASK DR. HEGER, ADELINA SORKIN, SUSAN FRIEDMAN TO JOIN
12 US UP HERE, PLEASE? IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROCEED, IDENTIFY
13 YOURSELF, PLEASE.

14

15 **DR. ASTRID HEGER:** I'M DR. HEGER, FROM L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL
16 CENTER. AND WE HAVE AN ENORMOUS -- I THINK I'M ACQUAINTED WITH
17 MOST OF YOU BECAUSE OF THAT WORK. I'M HERE TO JUST MAKE A
18 COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF BOTH MOTIONS, ACTUALLY. AND MOVING
19 FORWARD I THINK WITH THE C.E.O. IS THAT THE HUB SYSTEM WAS
20 BUILT WITH THE TREMENDOUS INPUT AND DEDICATION FROM BOTH
21 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND DEPARTMENT OF
22 HEALTH SERVICES IN AN ATTEMPT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERY CHILD IN
23 THIS COUNTY HAS ACCESS TO THE BEST OF CARE AT THE TIME THAT
24 THEY'RE AT RISK FOR INVOLVEMENT WITH D.C.F.S., WHETHER THEY'RE
25 GOING TO BE DETAINED OR NOT DETAINED. AND CERTAINLY TO MAKE



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1 SURE THEY HAVE ACCESS TO GOOD HEALTHCARE ON AN ONGOING BASIS.
2 AND ULTIMATELY TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A MEDICAL HOME SO THAT THE
3 KIDS IN FOSTER CARE WHO ARE MOST AT RISK ACTUALLY HAVE A
4 SYSTEM IN PLACE THAT WILL MONITOR THEIR WELL-BEING. I THINK
5 THE GOAL OF EVERYBODY HERE AT THE TABLE, I WON'T SPEAK FOR
6 THEM, BUT WE'RE ALL HERE BECAUSE WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE
7 WELL BEING OF CHILDREN AND THEIR ULTIMATE COMING OUT AT THE
8 OTHER END OF OUR INVOLVEMENT BETTER THAN WHEN THEY STARTED. I
9 HAVE SOME SUGGESTIONS OF THINGS THAT WE COULD CERTAINLY
10 DISCUSS. I WOULD CERTAINLY UNDERScore WHAT ALL THE SUPERVISORS
11 HAVE SAID HERE IS I THINK IT NEEDS TO COME TOGETHER AS A GROUP
12 MEETING WITH THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE CHARGED WITH THE
13 SERVICE. CERTAINLY HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, D.C.F.S. AND UNDER
14 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S GUIDANCE TO BRING EVERYTHING
15 GOOD THAT WE HAVE TO THE TABLE AND GUARANTEE THAT WE'RE USING
16 IT THE BEST WE POSSIBLY CAN. CLEARLY, THIS DOES NOT HAVE TO BE
17 AN ECONOMIC DRAIN ON THE COUNTY OF L.A. IF YOU LOOK AT THE
18 BUSINESS MODEL THAT WE'VE ESTABLISHED, AT LEAST AT
19 L.A.C.+U.S.C. MED CENTER, IT CAN BE BUDGET-NEUTRAL. IT JUST IS
20 HOW YOU -- YOU HAVE TO PUT IT IN PLACE CORRECTLY. YOU HAVE TO
21 BUILD A GOOD BILLING STRUCTURE UNDERNEATH IT, AND YOU HAVE TO
22 COLLABORATE AND COOPERATE, AND THAT'S WHAT THE WORD IS HERE. I
23 CERTAINLY WOULD LIKE TO JUST MENTION THE FACT THAT IN THE DAY,
24 AND TODAY WE HAVE AUTOMATION EVERYWHERE. AND WE HAVE THE
25 ABILITY -- WE BUILT AN AUTOMATED SYSTEM TO LOOK AT KIDS IN THE



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1 MEDICAL SYSTEM THAT'S WAITING TO BE IMPLEMENTED COUNTY-WIDE.
2 WE HAVE A D.C.F.S. SYSTEM TO IMPLEMENT THAT COULD BE
3 IMPLEMENTED COUNTY-WIDE AND WE HAVE A D.M.H. SYSTEM. ONE OF
4 THE AREAS WE SHOULD LOOK AT IMMEDIATELY IS HOW DO WE INTEGRATE
5 ALL THREE OF THOSE SO THAT THESE CHILDREN DO NOT FALL THROUGH
6 THE CRACKS? BUT REALLY, RIGHT NOW IT MEANS THAT WE CAN NO
7 LONGER AFFORD TO LIVE IN A SILO. HEALTH CAN'T LIVE IN A SILO,
8 MENTAL HEALTH CAN'T LIVE IN A SILO AND D.C.F.S. CAN'T LIVE IN
9 A SILO. WE HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO INTEGRATE OUR EFFORTS SO THAT
10 EVERY CHILD HAS ACCESS TO THIS AND WE HAVE TO WORK TOWARDS
11 EXPANDING THE SERVICES TO CREATE A MEDICAL HOME FOR THESE
12 CHILDREN. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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16 **ADELINA SORKIN:** ADELINA SORKIN. I'M CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF THE
17 COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND I'M SERVING AS CHAIR.
18 THE COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IS CONCERNED NOT ONLY
19 FOR SAFETY BUT ALSO FOR WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN. APPROXIMATELY
20 12 YEARS AGO, THE COMMISSION WAS INVOLVED WITH REVIEWING THE
21 CASE OF LANCE HELMS. AND EVERY FEW YEARS, ANOTHER DEATH
22 HAPPENS. AT THIS MEETING WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THREE DEATHS. BUT
23 WE'RE SUPPORTING THE MOTIONS BECAUSE IT'S TIME TO REALLY TALK
24 AND DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM. A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM
25 WHERE ONE DEPARTMENT, NOT ONLY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND



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1 FAMILY SERVICES, BUT ALSO HEALTH SERVICES AS WELL AS
2 PROBATION, AS WELL AS MENTAL HEALTH SIT DOWN. LAST YEAR, THE
3 LEGISLATURE PASSED THE FUENTES BILL THAT ALLOWS DEPARTMENTS TO
4 TALK TO EACH OTHER WITHOUT HAVING THE EXCUSE THAT THERE'S THE
5 ISSUES OF CONFIDENTIALITY. WE ARE HERE TO REALLY HELP SAVE
6 CHILDREN, TO PROVIDE WELL-BEING FOR THEM. AND IT IS ONLY WHEN
7 WE ARE ABLE TO TALK WITH EACH OTHER, WHERE WE'RE BEING ABLE TO
8 REALLY SEE WHAT IS BEST FOR THE CHILDREN THAT WE WILL BE ABLE
9 TO MOVE FORWARD. TOO OFTEN, WE FIND THAT THERE ARE MISSED
10 OPPORTUNITIES. AND THESE MISSED OPPORTUNITIES ARE BECAUSE ONE
11 DEPARTMENT IS NOT TALKING WITH ANOTHER DEPARTMENT. THE HUB
12 SYSTEM IS A WONDERFUL SYSTEM. OUR COMMISSION HAS BEEN ABLE TO
13 SEE AT LEAST THREE OF THE HUBS. AND THEY ARE ABLE TO REALLY
14 PROVIDE THE COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION, AS WELL AS THE FORENSIC
15 EVALUATION. IT'S A REAL ART TO BE ABLE TO SEE A CHILD THAT IS
16 VERY YOUNG WHO OFTEN CANNOT SPEAK FOR HIMSELF OR HERSELF. IT
17 IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF ALL
18 DETENTIONS AT THE PRESENT TIME ARE FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE
19 OF FIVE.

20

21 **SUSAN FRIEDMAN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SUSAN FRIEDMAN, AND I AM A
22 MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION, AND I AM CHAIR OF THE CHILD FATALITY
23 COMMITTEE. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE DISCUSSION THAT
24 YOU'VE BEEN HAVING THIS MORNING AND TELL YOU THAT WE ARE
25 DEFINITELY IN FAVOR OF MAKING CHANGES. AND I HOPE THAT TODAY



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1 MARKS THE BEGINNING OF OUR LOOKING VERY CLOSELY AT THESE
2 ISSUES AND MAKING THE CHANGES THAT WE NEED TO MAKE IN ORDER TO
3 SAVE THE LIVES OF OUR CHILDREN. I KNOW SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
4 THOMAS SPOKE, SAID A LOT OF THESE THINGS ARE ALREADY IN PLACE.
5 THEY MAY BE, BUT NOBODY IS PAYING ATTENTION. AND I THINK EVERY
6 TIME YOU PAY ATTENTION, EVERYBODY ELSE WILL PAY ATTENTION. OUR
7 COMMITTEE HAS SELECTED CERTAIN CASES WHICH WE STUDIED AND
8 ANALYZED AND MADE RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON WHAT WE LEARNED
9 FROM READING THOSE CASES. AND WE APPRECIATE THAT YOU HAVE
10 RECOGNIZED SOME OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS TODAY. AND WE HOPE
11 THAT WE CAN KEEP THESE LINES OF COMMUNICATION OPEN. BECAUSE WE
12 HAVE THE TIME TO LOOK AT THESE CASES VERY CLOSELY THAT SOME OF
13 YOU SIMPLY DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO DO. ALL OF THESE DEATHS ARE
14 TRAGIC. BUT IT SOMEHOW SEEMS THAT IT TAKES A DEATH ON THE
15 FRONT PAGE OF THE L.A. TIMES TO GET EVERYBODY TO SIT UP AND
16 PAY ATTENTION AND BRING THESE ISSUES TO THE FRONT BURNER. I
17 HOPE THAT THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF PERMANENT CHANGE AND THAT
18 WE WON'T BE BACK HERE IN SIX MONTHS SAYING "OH, HOW ARE WE
19 GOING TO IMPLEMENT THESE CHANGES"? I HOPE THEY GET
20 IMPLEMENTED, BECAUSE WE HAVE NO TIME TO WASTE BECAUSE WE HAVE
21 THOSE CHILDREN'S LIVES IN OUR HANDS. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I AGREE. I MEAN, WITH ONE EXCEPTION. I
24 DON'T THINK IT HAS TO BE THE FRONT PAGE OF THE L.A. TIMES. AND
25 WE HEAR ABOUT THESE THINGS AND SOMETIMES WE'RE NOT FORTUNATE



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1 ENOUGH TO GET THEM BEFORE THE L.A. TIMES. AND THEY'RE A GRAVE
2 CONCERN TO US. AND I CONCUR THAT WE HOPE THAT THOSE CHANGES
3 ARE MADE QUICKLY. OKAY.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR?

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE ONE MORE PERSON BUT GO AHEAD.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, GO AHEAD.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARNOLD SACHS SIGNED UP FOR ITEM NO. 2.

12 THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN.

13

14 **SUSAN FRIEDMAN:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS HE COMES, MR. CHAIR, IF YOU ARE

17 PREPARED TO TAKE A MOTION, I WOULD MOVE --

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD MOVE THAT THE MATTER BEFORE US BE

22 DIRECTED TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE PURPOSE OF

23 BUILDING ON THE REPORT OF JULY THE 24TH. TAKING INTO

24 CONSIDERATION ALL THE MOTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED TODAY,

25 THE WORKING GROUP WOULD MINIMALLY INCLUDE THE DEPARTMENT, AS



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1 WELL AS THE DEPUTIES FROM THE RESPECTIVE BOARD OFFICES. AND,
2 MR. CHAIR, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT IF WE CAN SEE MINIMALLY
3 PRELIMINARY WORK WITHIN 30 DAYS AND GO FROM THERE, THAT WOULD
4 BE MY MOTION.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** OKAY. I'LL SECOND THAT. AND WE'LL MAKE
7 THAT PART OF THE WHOLE PACKAGE. OKAY. MR. SACHS?

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. IT'S ALWAYS NICE TO
10 HEAR FROM PROFESSIONALS AND GET SOME INFORMATION SO THAT YOU
11 CAN ADD IT TO YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. I BELIEVE THE FIRST SPEAKER
12 WHO WAS BEFORE YOU JUST SPOKE ABOUT THREE PROGRAMS THAT NEED
13 TO BE INTEGRATED. AND THE SECOND SPEAKERS MENTIONED THE
14 PROBLEM OF SHARING INFORMATION. I BELIEVE SHE MENTIONED THAT
15 THERE WAS A CHILD'S DEATH 12 YEARS AGO. YET THERE'S REALLY NO
16 CHANGE. YOU UPGRADE PROGRAMS, BUT YOU DON'T ADDRESS THOSE TWO
17 MAJOR PROBLEMS. THERE'S STILL NO SHARING OF INFORMATION.
18 THERE'S STILL PROGRAMS THAT NEED TO BE INTEGRATED. WHY ISN'T A
19 PROGRAM THAT'S BROUGHT OUT THAT'S NEW OR GOING TO BE NEW
20 INTEGRATED INTO THE PROGRAMS THAT ALREADY EXIST AS A FIRST
21 STEP? WHY FOLLOW THE HORSE AFTER IT'S LEFT THE BARN? WHAT
22 ABOUT THE COSTS? YOU WANT TO ADD ANOTHER LEVEL OF MONITORING?
23 I DON'T HEAR ANYBODY MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT PENALTIES BEING
24 IMPOSED. IF THE PEOPLE FAILED TO DO OR FAILED TO FOLLOW-UP ON
25 THE WORK, THERE SHOULD BE A PENALTY IMPOSED. THE STATE NURSING



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1 BOARD JUST GOT ZAPPED BY THE GOVERNOR BECAUSE IT TOOK THEM TWO
2 YEARS, TWO, THREE YEARS TO REVIEW CASES. WE HEARD ABOUT THE
3 FIASCO AT M.L.K. WITH -- IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THE HEALTH
4 DIRECTOR'S FOOTPRINT PLAN, NOBODY WOULD KNOW THAT THE NURSES
5 WORKING THERE WERE NOT PROFICIENT IN THEIR ABILITIES. IT'S
6 YOU. YOU'RE THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THERE'S WHERE THE
7 ACCOUNTABILITY SHOULD BE. RIGHT HERE. STOP ADDING THE LEVELS
8 OF SLICING THE BREAD THINNER AND THINNER, BUT ANSWER THE
9 QUESTIONS. SHE SAID 12 YEARS. WHAT'S GONE ON IN 12 YEARS
10 THAT'S CHANGED? YOU HAD THE DIRECTOR FROM THE SOUTH SERVICES
11 COME UP HERE A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO AND MENTIONED SHE'D LIKE
12 TO GET A PROGRAM THAT EQUAL TO NEW YORK SO THAT THE WORKERS
13 DON'T HAVE THOUSANDS OF CASES HERE. IN NEW YORK. THEY HAVE 10
14 TO 12 WORKERS. HOW COULD YOU DO IT? HIRE MORE PEOPLE. WELL
15 THAT MAY NOT BE FEASIBLE. BUT THERE MUST BE ANOTHER WAY TO DO
16 IT. HOW DID NEW YORK GET THEIR CASELOAD DOWN SO LOW? YOU
17 FOLLOWED NEW YORK'S PLAN FOR THE HOMELESS, FOLLOW IT FOR THE
18 CHILD SERVICES. FOLLOW IT FOR THE D.N.A. SERVICES. WE GET --
19 OH, AND YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'RE GOING TO HAVE ANOTHER LEVEL OF
20 MONITORING HERE. THAT WILL ANSWER THE QUESTIONS. AND THEN WHEN
21 SOMEBODY MESSES UP, YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'LL ADD ANOTHER LEVEL OF
22 MONITORING. BECAUSE THAT WILL ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS. 12
23 YEARS, 14 YEARS, 16 YEARS, HOW LONG DO WE GET TILL WE GET SOME
24 RESULTS? THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE SEEN A LOT OF RESULTS, AND YOU
2 KNOW THAT, MR. SACHS. AND WE'RE JUST TRYING TO MAKE THE SYSTEM
3 BETTER. AND YOUR COMMENTS ARE RATHER UNFAIR, BUT THAT'S OKAY.
4 YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO DO THAT. OKAY. THE ITEM -- MULTIPLE
5 ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. WITH AMENDMENTS. AND I'M GOING TO READ IN
6 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. "THE C.E.O. SHOULD
7 ESTABLISH AN M.O.U. WITH ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED TO IMPLEMENT A
8 COORDINATED APPROACH IN ORDER TO HAVE A CONSISTENT METHOD IN
9 HANDLING THESE TYPES OF CASES AND DETERMINE WHICH DEPARTMENT
10 SHOULD BE THE LEAD AGENCY AND TO COORDINATE AND OVERSEE THESE
11 EFFORTS." AND THAT WOULD BE SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S FRIENDLY
12 AMENDMENT. I'LL SECOND THAT. WE HAVE SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
13 THOMAS'S FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S AN OMNIBUS MOTION TO TIE IT ALL
16 TOGETHER.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO IT'S CLEAR TO EVERYONE THAT WE
19 HAVE MULTIPLE MOTIONS AND AMENDMENTS ON THE TABLE.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ALSO SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD TWO OTHER
22 MOTIONS THAT SHE HAD BROUGHT FORTH.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE DID?

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAD TWO OTHER MOTIONS YOU BROUGHT
4 FORTH? IN ADDITION TO WHAT'S ON THE AGENDA?

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** RIGHT. ONE WAS TO ADD THE ADDITIONAL LAYER
7 OF MONITORING IN THE D.C.F.S. COMPUTER SYSTEM. AND THEN THE
8 SECOND WAS TO PUT IN PLACE --

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. LOOK AT THE FEASIBILITY OF ALL --
11 YEAH, THIS IS ALL --

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S ALL CONNECTED.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S ALL CONNECTED.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BRIEF COMMENT?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HOPE THAT WHEN OUR DEPUTIES GET TOGETHER
22 WITH THE C.E.O. STAFF ON THIS THAT THE QUESTION AT HAND WILL
23 BE WHAT ARE WE DOING THAT WOULD HAVE PREVENTED DAE'VON BAILEY
24 CASE OR ANY OF THE OTHER NUMBER OF CASES THAT WE'VE HAD? THE
25 THING THAT STRIKES ME ABOUT THE BAILEY CASE IS THE COMPLETE



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1 BREAKDOWN ON EVERYBODY'S PART, ON OUR COUNTY'S PART, NO
2 QUESTION ABOUT IT, ON ST. JOHN'S PART, NO QUESTION ABOUT IT.
3 AND I WISH THE COUNTY COUNSEL WOULD HAVE PERMITTED THE
4 D.C.F.S. TO RELEASE THE DOCUMENTS THEY HAD THAT WOULD HAVE
5 DEMONSTRATED THAT. DOCUMENTARY PROOF. BUT IN TIME WE'LL DEAL
6 WITH THAT. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, BREAKDOWN THERE. IT WAS
7 ALMOST AT EVERY DOOR THAT YOUNG MR. BAILEY WAS PRESENTED WITH
8 A BRUISED NOSE, WITH OTHER INJURIES. IT'S ALMOST AS THOUGH
9 PEOPLE DID NOT WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE IT. AND I KNOW THIS CAN'T
10 POSSIBLY BE THE CASE, BUT HAD A REASON NOT TO EVEN -- HAD A
11 REASON TO DEFAULT TO UNFOUNDED. UNFOUNDED ACCUSATIONS,
12 ALLEGATIONS. EVERYTHING WAS UNFOUNDED. IT'S AN ISSUE THAT I'VE
13 RAISED WITH MISS PLOEHN OVER A YEAR AGO, MAYBE EVEN CLOSER TO
14 TWO YEARS AGO IS WHETHER -- AND THIS IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
15 I THINK THE COUNTY HAS TO LOOK AT QUITE PAINFULLY IS WHETHER
16 WE ARE SO FOCUSED ON GETTING -- AT MINIMIZING THE NUMBER OF
17 KIDS IN OUR SYSTEM THAT PSYCHOLOGICALLY ALL OF OUR PEOPLE ARE
18 BEING DRIVEN TO DEFAULT TO UNFOUNDED AS OPPOSED TO ERRING ON
19 THE OTHER SIDE. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THAT'S THE CASE OR NOT,
20 BUT THERE'S NO -- THERE'S NOTHING ELSE TO ME THAT EXPLAINS SO
21 MANY CASES THAT HAVE RESULTED IN THIS SITUATION AND BROUGHT US
22 TO THIS POINT WITH A SLEW OF MOTIONS. WE DO THIS EVERY TIME.
23 AND WE DO IT WITH ALL SINCERITY. IT'S NOT -- IT'S NOT JUST A
24 REACTION TO THE SITUATION. IT'S A HOPE THAT WE CAN PREVENT
25 ANYTHING LIKE THAT FROM OCCURRING IN THE FUTURE. BUT THERE'S



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1 AN OLD SAYING: THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT GUARANTEES A
2 GUARANTEE. I DON'T KNOW OF A SINGLE THING, A SINGLE GUARANTEE
3 THAT CAN PREVENT SOME MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL IN A HOSPITAL
4 NEARBY, ONE OF OUR SOCIAL WORKERS, A POLICE OFFICER ALL
5 LOOKING AT THIS KID AT VARIOUS TIMES WITH VARIOUS INJURIES AND
6 ALL CONCLUDING THERE'S NOTHING WRONG. IT'S A PERFECT STORM OF
7 NEGLIGENCE. AND I HOPE THAT WE TRY TO GET OUR ARMS AROUND
8 THAT, THAT WEAKNESS, THAT FLAW IN HUMAN NATURE. THAT THERE ARE
9 PEOPLE WHO, FOR WHATEVER REASON, JUST DON'T SEE IT. ONE OF THE
10 THINGS, AND I THINK WE SAID IT LAST WEEK, WAS THE DISCIPLINARY
11 ACTION TAKEN AGAINST OUR FOLKS HAS TO BE SWIFT AND COMPLETE.
12 THAT SENDS A MESSAGE NOT ONLY TO THE PEOPLE WHO TRANSGRESSED
13 HERE BUT IT ALSO SENDS A MESSAGE TO EVERYBODY ELSE THAT THEY
14 WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. AND THEN WHEN THEY COME TO WORK IN
15 THE MORNING, THAT THEY'RE FOCUSED AND COMPLETELY FOCUSED ON
16 THE JOB AT HAND AND AT THE KIDS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION,
17 UNDER THEIR RESPONSIBILITY. AND I HOPE THAT WILL CERTAINLY BE
18 THE CASE AS A RESULT OF THIS. BUT IT DOESN'T EXPLAIN THE
19 POLICE OFFICER. IT DOESN'T EXPLAIN THE NURSE, WHO SENT US A
20 DOCUMENT, SIGNED A DOCUMENT SAYING -- I THINK THE TERM WAS
21 UNFOUNDED OR WHATEVER THE TERM WAS. THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG
22 WITH THE KID. AND ON IT GOES. BECAUSE JUST TO DO A REHASH OF
23 THE STRUCTURE HERE WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO ANSWER THE QUESTION:
24 HOW DOES THIS MOVE THE BALL DOWN THE FIELD IN TERMS OF
25 PROTECTING THE KIDS IS JUST REARRANGING THE CHAIRS ON THE



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1 DECKS OF THE TITANIC. THIS IS NOT THE TITANIC BY ANY STRETCH
2 OF THE IMAGINATION. BUT ONE KID DYING IS ONE TOO MANY. 18 IS
3 FAR TOO MANY. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 9, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WAIT. WE NEED TO APPROVE THIS
10 ITEM.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I THOUGHT WE APPROVED IT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, WE DIDN'T.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW YOU CAN APPROVE IT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, ZEV, I WOULD CONCUR WITH THAT. I
21 THINK THAT TRISH HAS A LOT OF THINGS IN PLACE THEY'RE DOING
22 AND THEY JUST NEED MORE HELP. AS I SAID EARLIER, IT'S JUST
23 VERY DIFFICULT TO HAVE A CHILD'S LIFE IN ONE PERSON'S HANDS
24 AND PREVENT AND TO PUT A CUSHION AROUND THAT SO THAT THERE'S



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1 SOME OVERSIGHT AND YET ACCOUNTABILITY, SO THINGS DON'T SLIP
2 THROUGH THE CRACKS.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR, I COMPLETELY CONCUR, BUT MAY I
5 JUST HASTEN TO ADD THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN OFF THE TABLE
6 THAT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION TAKE PLACE SHOULD WE DEEM
7 THAT APPROPRIATE. THIS MATTER IS SIMPLY TOO IMPORTANT, TOO
8 SERIOUS, AND TOO FAR REACHING TO RELY ON OVEREXTENDED
9 RESOURCES IN THE DEPARTMENT TO DEAL WITH IT. AND IF THE
10 PREVIOUS SPEAKERS' REMARKS ARE TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY, IT DOES
11 GIVE RISE TO THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT INDEPENDENCE IS
12 WARRANTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF GETTING THE BEST WORK DONE. I'VE
13 RAISED THAT ISSUE BEFORE. I'M NOT SURE THAT WE SHOULD TAKE
14 THAT OFF THE TABLE AT THIS JUNCTURE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT TAKING ANYTHING OFF THE TABLE
17 AT THIS POINT. OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
18 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. OR
19 ACTUALLY, YEAH, OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. CALL ITEM NO. 9. I'D ALSO LIKE TO MOVE
22 THAT GLYNNIS A. LOUD, DEPUTY SHERIFF, SERVED BETWEEN 2003 AND
23 THIS YEAR, PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE BUREAU OF
24 LABOR RELATIONS AND COMPLIANCE. MOVE TO ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. ITEM 9 IS
2 BEFORE US. ARE WE GOING TO HAVE A STAFF?

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, I'LL JUST
5 READ IN THE AMENDING LANGUAGE SO THAT WE CAN MOVE AS
6 EFFICIENTLY AS YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TO GO TO PAGE NO. 2 OF THE MOTION, "THE
11 ACTING DIRECTOR MAY PROCURE THE ASSISTANCE OF QUALIFIED
12 CONSULTANTS AND SHALL RETURN TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL SHOULD
13 THE CONTRACT REQUIRE FUNDING AT NET COUNTY COST." THAT WOULD
14 ESSENTIALLY BE THE CONCERN. AND I WOULD FURTHER MOVE "THAT
15 AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE STUDY, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE
16 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING FIRST PROVIDE PRELIMINARY
17 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MULTI-AGENCY COORDINATION COMMITTEE AND
18 THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT. AND,
19 SECONDLY, CONVENE A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE REGIONAL
20 PLANNING COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO THE
21 C.S.D. AND THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION MAKE A RECOMMENDATION
22 TO THIS BOARD REGARDING THE POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS OR
23 MODIFICATIONS TO THE C.S.D. FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION."
24 THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND WITH THAT, I THINK WE CAN
25 PROCEED. THERE ARE PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND WE CAN GO ACCORDINGLY.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WOULD LIKE TO, IF YOU CAN LIMIT YOUR
7 COMMENTS TO A MINUTE, WE'LL BE A LITTLE FLEXIBLE ON THAT. BUT
8 WE HAVE A LOT OF SPEAKERS SIGNED UP ON THIS. AND MOST ARE
9 ADVOCATING THE SAME POSITION.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THERE ARE ABOUT 15, ARE THERE NOT,
12 MR. CHAIRMAN?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AT LEAST.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO LET'S PROCEED.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SCOTT MALSIN, COUNCILMEMBER, CITY
19 OF CULVER CITY. GARY SILBIGER. REBECCA BERNAL WILL BE THE
20 FIRST THREE. AND ANGUS ALEXANDER, THE FIRST FOUR. AND AS YOU
21 ARE FINISHED YOUR TESTIMONY, I WILL CALL UP OTHERS TO TAKE
22 YOUR SEATS. THANK YOU. SCOTT, HOW ARE YOU DOING, SIR?

23

24 **SCOTT MALSIN:** THANK YOU, CHAIR KNABE. GOOD MORNING,
25 SUPERVISORS. I'M COUNCILMEMBER SCOTT MALSIN FROM THE CITY OF



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1 CULVER CITY, AND I'M HERE TO PRESENT A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY
2 THE CITY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
3 THOMAS'S MOTION. CULVER CITY HAS HAD A LONG-STANDING INTEREST
4 IN ENSURING THE SAFE OPERATIONS OF THE OIL FIELDS BOTH WITHIN
5 AND OUTSIDE OUR BORDERS. AND THAT CONCERN IS SHARED BY MANY
6 WHO LIVE AND WORK IN NEIGHBORHOODS ADJACENT TO THOSE OIL
7 FIELDS. WHILE WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS THE COUNTY MADE TO
8 DEVELOP THE REGULATIONS YOU ADOPTED LAST OCTOBER, WE DO NOT
9 BELIEVE THOSE REGULATIONS ARE SUFFICIENT TO PROTECT AND
10 PROMOTE THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE CONFIDENT IT IS POSSIBLE TO CRAFT
12 REGULATIONS THAT WILL ALLOW OIL DRILLING OPERATIONS TO COEXIST
13 SAFELY IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND WE ARE READY TO SUPPORT THE
14 COUNTY IN ITS EFFORTS TO DO SO. THEREFORE, WE THANK YOU FOR
15 YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM AND URGE YOU TO ADOPT THE
16 MOTION.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXCELLENT.

21
22 **GARY SILBIGER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS GARY SILBIGER, ONE OF
23 THE COUNCIL MEMBERS IN CULVER CITY AND ONE OF TWO MEMBERS OF
24 CULVER CITY'S OIL DRILLING AND COMMITTEE STANDARDS DISTRICT
25 COMMITTEE IN CULVER CITY. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MARK



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1 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION TO AMEND THE BALDWIN
2 HILLS COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. WE ALL KNOW, AS LOCAL
3 OFFICIALS, THAT IT'S THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH AND SAFETY THAT'S
4 PRIMARY IN ALL THESE TYPES OF CONCERNS. WE HAVE A COMMUNITY
5 STANDARDS DISTRICT THAT HAS NOT ADEQUATELY TAKEN INTO
6 CONSIDERATION THOSE VERY IMPORTANT ISSUES. WE SEE HEALTHCARE
7 ON THE AGENDA, BOTH LOCALLY AND STATEWIDE AND NATIONALLY, BUT
8 IN ADDITION TO HAVING HEALTH CARE FOR ALL THE RESIDENTS, WE
9 ALSO NEED TO PREVENT HEALTH PROBLEMS FROM OCCURRING. WITH YOUR
10 HELP, WE CAN ENSURE THAT WE HAVE A HEALTHY COUNTY. BY PASSING
11 THIS MOTION TODAY, WE WILL BRING BACK THE TYPE OF CONCERN THAT
12 THE COUNTY DESERVES. AND SO PLEASE JOIN US. YOU REMEMBER LAST
13 TIME MANY OF US WERE HERE, THE ROOM WAS FILLED TO CAPACITY. WE
14 ASK YOU NOW TO JOIN US, JOIN YOUR RESIDENTS IN PASSING THIS
15 VERY IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16
17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD ASK THAT MARTIN SCHLAGETER, I
18 APOLOGIZE IF I MESS THESE UP TOO BAD. ZOE RAWSON.

19
20 **REBECCA BERNAL:** HI, I'M REBECCA BERNAL, I'M THE DISTRICT
21 REPRESENTATIVE FOR STATE SENATOR CURREN D. PRICE, JR. OF THE
22 26TH SENATE DISTRICT, WHICH BALDWIN HILLS COMMUNITY STANDARDS
23 DISTRICT IS LOCATED WITHIN. AND AS SUCH, ON BEHALF OF THE
24 SENATOR, I CANNOT STATE MORE CLEARLY THE IMPORTANCE OF A
25 THOROUGH AND RESPONSIVE REVIEW OF THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ANY



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1 PROPOSED OIL DRILLING MAY HAVE ON THE CONSTITUENTS LIVING IN
2 THE AREA. LEGITIMATE CONCERNS HAVE BEEN RAISED ABOUT WHETHER
3 THE CURRENT C.S.D. CONDITIONS GO FAR ENOUGH TO MITIGATE THE
4 SIGHT, SOUND, SMELL AND SAFETY IMPACTS THAT HAVE BEEN AND
5 CONTINUE TO BE CAUSED BY THE DRILLING FOR OIL IN THE GENERAL
6 AREAS OF BALDWIN HILLS, LADERA HEIGHTS, AND CULVER CITY. FOR
7 EXAMPLE, THERE ARE MANY UNRESOLVED ISSUES INVOLVING THE IMPACT
8 OF THE INJECTION DRILLING, THE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND SITES
9 DRILLING IN THE C.S.D., THE LANDSCAPE PLAN AND ABOVE ALL ELSE,
10 THE ADEQUACY OF THE REQUIRED HEALTH STUDIES AND MITIGATION.
11 THE FOUR LAWSUITS INVOLVING THE PROPOSED C.S.D. RAISE SOME
12 VERY SERIOUS QUESTIONS AND FURTHER REFLECT THE NEED TO RE-
13 EXAMINE THE C.S.D. CONDITIONS. I APPLAUD YOUR EFFORTS TO RE-
14 EXAMINE THESE ISSUES, AMONGST OTHERS. AND ON BEHALF OF SENATOR
15 PRICE, I ASK FOR YOUR FULL SUPPORT OF THE MOTION. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **ANGUS ALEXANDER:** MY NAME IS ANGUS ALEXANDER. I'M A CAPTAIN
20 WITH OCEAN LIFEGUARD. I KNOW MANY OF YOU THROUGH _____
21 LIFEGUARD ASSOCIATION. I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE SANTA MONICA
22 BAY RESTORATION COMMISSION, THE GOVERNING BOARD. I'M ALSO A
23 INTERNATIONAL TSUNAMI EXPERT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL TSUNAMI
24 SOCIETY AND A MEMBER OF THE L.A. COUNTY TSUNAMI TASKFORCE. I
25 COME TO YOU AS AN EXPERT ON MANY DIFFERENT FIELDS ON THIS



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1 SUBJECT, OF THAT, INCLUDING WATER QUALITY AND EARTHQUAKE
2 INFORMATION. I'VE REVIEWED THIS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
3 AND THERE'S MORE HOLES IN IT THAN THE OIL FIELD ITSELF.
4 THERE'S ALL KINDS OF MISSING APPENDIXES THAT I WAS NOT PRIVY
5 TO OR BEEN ABLE TO REVIEW PRIOR TO THE VOTE, THE LAST VOTE OF
6 THE SUPERVISOR BURKE. I'D LIKE TO SEE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
7 REPORT REVIEWED AGAIN AND THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED. THERE ARE A
8 NUMBER OF REQUESTS THAT I HAVE AND CONCERNS ON LIFE, PROPERTY,
9 AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. MY REQUESTS ARE TO REWRITE THE
10 ENTIRE SECTION AND DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH ORIGINAL
11 REGULATIONS, CURRENT REGULATIONS, AND CURRENT STANDARDS OF THE
12 INDUSTRY AND INSURANCE UNDERWRITER REQUIREMENTS AGAINST
13 SPILLAGE, FIRES, EXPLOSION AND TOXIC RELEASES. AND I ALSO
14 REQUEST THAT COMPLETELY AND TOTALLY REVIEW, REVISE AND UPGRADE
15 SEISMIC, SPILLAGE, FIRE EXPLOSION RISKS AND SAFETY MEASURES
16 ARE REQUIRED, ESPECIALLY DURING THE FOLLOWING "BIG ONE" ON THE
17 BALDWIN HILLS, SAY A 7.43 RICHTER AT FOUR MILES AND ONE MILE
18 DEPTH. AS A TSUNAMI EXPERT, IT ONLY TAKES AN EARTHQUAKE OF 6.5
19 OR GREATER TO CAUSE A LANDSLIDE. IN 1998 PAPUA, NEW GUINEA
20 EXPERIENCED THE EXACT SAME SIMILAR SITUATION AS WE EXPERIENCED
21 HERE WHICH LAUNCHED OUR TSUNAMI TASKFORCE.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN YOU WRAP IT UP?



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1 **ANGUS ALEXANDER:** YES, SIR. I FEAR THAT THE BOARD NEEDS TO LOOK
2 INTO THIS MATTER THOROUGHLY, AND AFRAID THERE JUST MIGHT BE
3 ANOTHER LAYER OF BUREAUCRACY ON TOP OF THIS WITH ALREADY
4 OVEREXTENDED RESOURCES. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY, I WOULD ASK
7 THAT GRACE ELLIOTT AND KIM KUTCHER JOIN US.

8

9 **MARTIN SCHLAGETER:** I'M MARTIN SCHLAGETER WITH THE COALITION
10 FOR CLEAN AIR AND I APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF
11 THIS ITEM TODAY. WE'RE HERE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. AND
12 WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THE FINDINGS OF THIS
13 STUDY, AND MAY THEY COME BACK EXPEDITIOUSLY AND HELP US GET
14 BACK ON THE RIGHT TRACK ON THIS MATTER. I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME
15 AND YOUR CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SANDRA HAMLAT, IF YOU'D JOIN
18 US, PLEASE?

19

20 **ZOE RAWSON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ZOE RAWSON. I'M HERE ON
21 BEHALF OF THE CITY PROJECT. WE ARE A NONPROFIT ADVOCACY
22 ORGANIZATION. WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION,
23 SPECIFICALLY THE PROPOSAL FOR STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
24 MEASURES CONTAINED IN THE MOTION, AS WELL AS A FAIR
25 OPPORTUNITY FOR PARTICIPATION BY THE PUBLIC. THE CITY PROJECT



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1 PARTICIPATES ON THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL CREATED BY THE
2 C.S.D. WE REPRESENT CONCERNED CITIZENS OF SOUTH CENTRAL LOS
3 ANGELES IN PENDING LITIGATION. AND WE ARE FULLY PREPARED TO
4 CONTINUE TO ENGAGE IN THE PROCESS AND TO ASSIST THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS IN CREATING THE C.S.D. THAT WAS PROMISED TO THE
6 COMMUNITY. SO THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DAMON NAGAMI, IF YOU'D JOIN
9 US, PLEASE? GRACE?

10

11 **GRACE ELLIOTT:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS GRACE
12 ELLIOTT. I'M 44, AND I HAVE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS. I'VE LIVED AT
13 THE FOOT OF THE BALDWIN HILLS IN CULVER CITY ON NORTHGATE
14 STREET FOR 14 YEARS. DURING THAT TIME, MY M.S. HAS WORSENERED.
15 ON MY BLOCK ALONE, 11 NEIGHBORS HAVE HAD MISCARRIAGES. ALL ARE
16 HEALTHY WOMEN OF CHILD BEARING AGE. ANOTHER TWO HAD ECTOPIC
17 PREGNANCIES AND HAD TO HAVE ABORTIONS OR THEY WOULD HAVE DIED.
18 GIVEN THESE INSTANCES OF REPRODUCTIVE DISORDERS AND OTHER
19 LIFE-THREATENING DISEASES THAT PEOPLE SUFFER FROM WHO LIVE IN
20 CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE OIL FIELDS, I COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR
21 SUPPORTING THE MOTION TO AMEND THE C.S.D., TO ENSURE THE
22 ADEQUACY OF THE REQUIRED HEALTH STUDIES. AS I READ P.X.P.'S
23 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY, WHICH I LEAVE WITH YOU
24 A COPY, I CAN SEE THAT EVEN P.X.P.'S CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT, AND
25 C.E.O. SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THE VERY FIRST POINT, DR. JAMES



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1 FLORES MAKES IS THAT HIS CORPORATION, WHICH IS P.X.P., WILL
2 RECOGNIZE THAT NO BUSINESS OBJECTIVE IS SO IMPORTANT THAT IT
3 WILL BE PURSUED AT THE EXPENSE OF SAFETY, HEALTH AND THE
4 ENVIRONMENT. HOPEFULLY AS A GOOD NEIGHBOR, P.X.P. CAN FUND THE
5 COUNTY TO CONDUCT A THOROUGH, INDEPENDENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT
6 DONE BY A CONSULTANT CHOSEN WITH THE COMMUNITY INPUT TO HELP
7 US DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THESE DISPROPORTIONATE HEALTH
8 INCIDENTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EDDIE JONES?

15

16 **KEN KUTCHER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. KEN KUTCHER OF CULVER
17 CREST. AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
18 THOMAS'S MOTION. I'M ONE OF THE LAWYERS INVOLVED IN THE
19 LITIGATION OVER THE BALDWIN HILLS E.I.R. AND C.S.D. THERE ARE
20 FOUR CASES THAT HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED BY THE SUPERIOR COURT
21 IN THAT MATTER. THE PETITIONERS ARE A BROAD ARRAY, INCLUDING
22 THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS, NATURAL
23 RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, AND VARIOUS OTHER RESIDENTS AND
24 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. AND TRIAL IS SET FOR NOVEMBER. AS THE
25 SUPERVISOR STATES IN HIS MOTION, THE FACT THAT THIS LITIGATION



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1 IS PENDING, THERE'S FOUR CASES INVOLVED, DIVERSE PARTIES
2 LITIGATING THESE MATTERS, THOSE DEMONSTRATE THE ONGOING
3 CONCERNS ABOUT THE C.S.D. AS ADOPTED. AND I CAN ASSURE YOU
4 THAT THE INTEREST IN RESOLVING THESE MATTERS REMAINS KEEN. IN
5 ADDITION TO SUPPORTING THE MOTION, I THINK IT REPRESENTS AN
6 IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY TO TRY AND REACH CONSENSUS OVER THE
7 ACTIVITIES IN THE OIL FIELD. AND WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT. I'D
8 LIKE TO TAKE A BRIEF MOMENT TO THANK PLANNING STAFF,
9 PARTICULARLY LEON FREEMAN WHO HAS HAD THE THANKLESS TASK OF
10 SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL CALLED THE CAP. AND WE
11 APPRECIATE HIS EFFORTS. AND ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE RIDLEY-THOMAS'S
12 STAFF SUPPORT, AND IN PARTICULAR, CARLY CATONA'S EFFORTS TO
13 KEEP MONITORING THESE MATTERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. CLYDE WILLIAMS, IF
16 YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE.

17

18 **SANDRA HAMLAT:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M SANDRA HAMLAT
19 AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE GREATER BALDWIN HILLS
20 ALLIANCE THIS MORNING. AND I WANTED TO THANK SUPERVISOR
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR PERFORMING DUE DILIGENCE, CONSIDERING
22 AMENDING THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. IN PARTICULAR, I'M
23 GLAD THAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT ESTABLISHING AN END DATE FOR THE
24 DRILLING AND IMMEDIATELY LOOKING AT RESTORING THE VEGETATION
25 AND INSURING ADEQUATE HEALTH STUDIES. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE



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1 THESE ACTIONS HAPPEN UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP AND UNDER YOUR
2 WATCH. SO THANK YOU FOR AMENDING THE C.S.D.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SALLY HAMPTON?

5

6 **DAMON NAGAMI:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAMON NAGAMI, AND I'M A
7 STAFF ATTORNEY WITH THE NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNSEL.
8 N.R.D.C. IS A NATIONAL NONPROFIT ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION
9 WITH A STAFF OF OVER 300 SCIENTISTS, LAWYERS AND OTHER
10 ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONALS AND OVER 300,000 MEMBERS IN
11 CALIFORNIA. WE'RE PART OF THE GREATER BALDWIN HILLS ALLIANCE
12 AND WE'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE MATTER FOR OVER A YEAR AND A
13 HALF. FROM THE BEGINNING, WE'VE SUPPORTED THE COMMUNITIES
14 SURROUNDING THE BALDWIN HILLS IN THEIR QUEST TO HAVE A C.S.D.
15 THAT ACTUALLY MEETS THE COMMUNITY'S STANDARDS. WHAT WE'RE
16 LOOKING FOR IS A SET OF COMMON SENSE REGULATIONS THAT OFFERS
17 ADEQUATE HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTECTIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY. THE
18 C.S.D., IN ITS CURRENT FORM, FALLS SHORT OF THAT GOAL. THAT'S
19 WHY WE COMMEND AND THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR PUTTING
20 FORTH THIS MOTION TO CONSIDER REOPENING AND AMENDING THE
21 C.S.D., AND WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PASS THIS
22 MOTION WITHOUT DELAY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE
23 COUNTY IN A CONSTRUCTIVE FASHION TO TRY AND RESOLVE THE
24 COMMUNITY'S OUTSTANDING CONCERNS ABOUT THE C.S.D. THANK YOU.
25 [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TOM WILLIAMS?

3

4 **EDDIE JONES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. MY NAME IS EDDIE JONES,
5 PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CIVIL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION. I LIVE
6 IN BALDWIN HILLS. AND THOSE FUMES ARE EXTREMELY SERIOUS. THE
7 PEOPLE THAT LIVE UP THERE HAVE EMAILED ME AND CALLED ME. AND
8 THEY TALK ABOUT ASTHMA, COUGHING, BRONCHITIS, AND OTHER
9 THINGS. BUT I'M GLAD THAT THERE'S WORK BEING DONE ON THIS VERY
10 SERIOUS SITUATION FOR THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THAT COMMUNITY.
11 THE CONSTITUENTS AND THE STAKEHOLDERS THAT LIVE IN THAT
12 COMMUNITY ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT. AND IT'S A
13 PLACE WHERE PEOPLE LIVE AND RAISE THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR
14 FAMILIES. IF YOU LIVE CLOSE TO THERE, YOU'LL UNDERSTAND
15 EXACTLY WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. BUT IF YOU DON'T LIVE THERE,
16 THEN YOU REALLY CAN'T UNDERSTAND. SO WHAT I'M ASKING TODAY:
17 CONTINUE TO ANALYZE AND EVALUATE EVERY CRITERIA OF WHAT YOU'RE
18 PRODUCING AND MAKE SURE THAT IT'S INVESTIGATED TO THE POINT TO
19 WHERE THE FAMILIES THAT LIVE THERE GET THE JUSTICE THAT THEY
20 DESERVE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. (APPLAUSE.) PLEASE. THANK
23 YOU. GWENDOLYN FLYNN, IF YOU'D JOIN US US.

24



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1 **CLYDE WILLIAMS:** DR. CLYDE WILLIAMS, BEAR ROAD, DISTRICT 1. I'M
2 COMMENTING BASED UPON SEVERAL YEARS, OR 40 YEARS OF OIL AND
3 GAS EXPERIENCE. I'VE WORKED FOR ALL OF THE MAJOR -- MANY OF
4 THE MAJOR OIL COMPANIES AND SUCH AND HAVE REVIEWED THE C.S.D.
5 AS IT WAS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED AND FINALLY SUBMITTED. I WOULD
6 HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT THERE'S MORE THAN HOLES. IT IS ONE HOLE,
7 RATHER THAN A THOUSAND HOLES. AND STRONGLY SUPPORT THE
8 RESOLUTION TO REVIEW IT AND OPEN IT UP TO NEW COMMENTS. I HAVE
9 HAD SOME EXPERIENCE DIRECTLY WITH THE ROSS DRESS FOR LESS GAS
10 EXPLOSION, WHERE THE L.A. FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED ME IN TO HELP
11 CONTROL GAS THAT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR GETTING 22 PEOPLE IN THE
12 HOSPITAL DUE TO BAD OPERATIONS OF THE LA BREA, SALT LAKE OIL
13 FIELD. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I THINK IT'S DR. KHIN KHIN
16 [GYI], IF I SAY THAT CORRECTLY, JOIN US, PLEASE? NEXT?

17

18 **SALLY HAMPTON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SALLY
19 HAMPTON AND ON BEHALF OF WINTER HILLS, WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT
20 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND
21 SAFETY OF HIS CONSTITUENTS. AND AT THIS TIME, I WOULD ALSO
22 LIKE ALL OF THOSE WHO ARE IN FAVOR TO PLEASE STAND? VERY
23 QUICKLY SINCE WE GOT ONE MINUTE. WE DO NEED MORE CLARIFICATION
24 AND FOR ALL THE INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN LACKING IN ORDER TO
25 MAKE FULLY INFORMED DECISIONS REGARDING OUR HEALTH AND SAFETY



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1 WHEN EXPANDING OPERATIONS IN THIS PARTICULAR FIELD IN THE
2 HEART OF THE VERY HEAVILY POPULATED, URBAN SCENARIO, AREA, AND
3 PUBLIC SAFETY MUST BE PUT BEFORE THE P.X.P. IS ALLOWED TO
4 PROCEED. I ALSO WANTED TO POINT OUT THAT IN AN ARTICLE, WHICH
5 I ATTACHED TO A VERY DETAILED LETTER, HYDRAULIC FRACTURING HAS
6 BEEN UTILIZED IN THE BALDWIN HILLS OIL FIELD. AND THIS IS
7 PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT TO POINT OUT WHEN OUR STATE IS FACING A
8 WATER CRISIS, AS THIS TYPE OF PRESSURIZING CAN CAUSE THE
9 MIGRATION OF POLLUTANTS AND PUT OUR WATER SUPPLY AT RISK. AND
10 I WOULD SAY THAT WHILE SOME MAY FIND IT NECESSARY TO EXTRACT
11 OIL, IT SHOULDN'T BE AT THE EXPENSE OF OUR WATER, DRINKING
12 WATER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE. PLEASE, THE RULES OF THE BOARD,
15 JUST SO YOU KNOW, THE RULES OF THE BOARD DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE
16 EITHER FOR OR AGAINST. AND SO WE JUST ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON
17 THAT. DIANE SHER, IF YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE? DIANE? AND KAYPERS
18 JACKSON, IF YOU'D JOIN US.

19

20 **GWENDOLYN FLYNN:** GOOD DAY, CHAIR, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
21 AND SUPERVISORS ALL. MY NAME IS GWENDOLYN FLYNN, I AM THE
22 POLICY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AND EDUCATION POLICY
23 DIRECTOR WITH COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS. WE'RE A NONPROFIT
24 HEALTH PROMOTION HEALTH POLICY ORGANIZATION IN SOUTH LOS
25 ANGELES. WE ARE MEMBERS OF THE GREATER BALDWIN HILLS ALLIANCE



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1 AND HAVE A SEAT ON THE BALDWIN HILLS COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL,
2 WHICH WAS CREATED BY THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. WE
3 COMMEND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IN BRINGING FORWARD A MOTION
4 TO AMEND THE BALDWIN HILLS C.S.D. ZONING ORDINANCE. I WILL
5 SIMPLY SAY THAT OUR CONCERNS CENTER AROUND THE
6 DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH RATES OF CANCER, ASTHMA AND OTHER
7 CHRONIC RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS IN THE REGIONS SURROUNDING THE
8 OIL FIELDS. AND WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE MOTION, WHICH INCLUDES
9 INSURING THE ADEQUACY OF THE REQUIRED BASELINE HEALTH STUDIES
10 SUCH THAT HEALTH DISPARITIES ARE NOT COMPOUNDED BY ACTIVITIES
11 RELATED TO THE OIL DRILLING. SO WE STRONGLY URGE FULL SUPPORT
12 OF THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I WOULD ASK DAMIEN GOODMON TO
15 JOIN US, PLEASE? DOCTOR?

16

17 **DR. KHIN KHIN GYI:** MY NAME IS DR. GYI. I'M HERE AS A RESIDENT
18 OF CULVER CREST. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
19 THOMAS'S MOTION. I'M ALSO HERE AS A NEUROLOGIST WITH 20 YEARS
20 OF PRACTICE UNDER MY BELT. BASICALLY I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL
21 FOR GIVING US AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOICE OUR CONCERNS IN OUR
22 NEIGHBORHOOD AND ON OUR STREET, WHICH IS KILMORE STREET IN
23 CULVER CREST. WE ARE AWARE OF TWO CASES OF BREAST CANCER AND
24 ONE CASE OF A FOUR-YEAR-OLD TODDLER WHO HAS HAD THREE
25 SEIZURES. THIS PARTICULAR TODDLER HAS ALSO BEEN NOTED WITH



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1 DELAYED DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES. SO THIS IS MORE THAN
2 COINCIDENCE FOR ONE STREET. AND WE ARE CONCERNED THAT SAFETY
3 MEASURES AND SURVEYS HAVE NOT BEEN PERFORMED YET WITH REGARD
4 TO PUMPING OIL IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. TO CONTINUE THIS PROCESS
5 OF DRILLING OIL IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WITHOUT CONDUCTING AN
6 EPIDEMIOLOGIC SURVEY AND IMPLEMENTING HEALTH OR SAFETY
7 MEASURES IS UNETHICAL, IRRESPONSIBLE AND UNCONSCIONABLE. SO WE
8 WOULD APPRECIATE ANY HELP THAT YOU COULD PROVIDE US IN MAKING
9 SURE THAT THESE HEALTH STUDIES ARE PERFORMED. THANK YOU VERY
10 MUCH.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. DIANE?

13

14 **DIANE SHER:** YEP. MY NAME IS DIANE SHER. I LIVE IN WESTCHESTER,
15 WHICH IS ABOUT A MILE, LESS THAN A MILE AND A HALF FROM THE
16 OIL FIELDS. ONCE AGAIN, I DON'T KNOW WHY ANYONE ELSE IN MY
17 NEIGHBORHOOD IS NOT INVOLVED OR ENGAGED IN THIS PROCESS. WHEN
18 THE SANTA ANA WINDS BLOW IN, WE GET THE FUMES COMING STRAIGHT
19 OFF THE OIL FIELDS. AND BECAUSE WE'RE NEAR THE AIRPORT, I USED
20 TO ASSUME IT WAS FROM THE AIRPORT. BUT NOW I REALIZE WE'RE
21 GETTING THE FUMES FROM THE AIRPORT, SO THERE'S ALSO THAT
22 MEDICAL CONCERN. BUT I MUST SAY, I'M BEWILDERED BY THIS ENTIRE
23 PROCESS. I WENT TO THE SCOPING MEETING FOR THE E.I.R. AND
24 THERE WERE ALL OF US 10 OF US IN THIS ROOM AND THERE'S THESE
25 HUGE AMOUNTS OF PEOPLE, AND FOUR LAWSUITS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS



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1 HELD IN PLACES THAT MASS TRANSIT CANNOT REACH. I USE MASS
2 TRANSIT EXCLUSIVELY. AND I WOULD TAKE ISSUE WITH THE WORDING
3 OF YOUR POINT A, BECAUSE THAT, THE WAY IT'S WRITTEN, CAN BE
4 INTERPRETED IN EITHER DIRECTION. AND IF WE DID ACCOMPLISH
5 ANYTHING WITH THE EXISTING E.I.R. C.D.C., WE DO HAVE A TOP
6 NUMBER. THE LANGUAGE IN YOUR FIRST SENTENCE A, MY
7 RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE TO NOT BE SO LOOSE WITH THAT ONE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. JACKSON.

10

11 **KAYPERS JACKSON:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. I'M KAYPERS JACKSON,
12 AND I'M A LONG-TERM RESIDENT OF THE VIEW PARK BALDWIN HILLS
13 AREA. I 100 PERCENT SUPPORT AND REQUEST THAT YOU ALSO SUPPORT
14 MR. THOMAS'S MOTION. VIEW PARK, BALDWIN HILLS AREA HAS BEEN
15 KNOWN TO BE A VERY GREAT PLACE TO LIVE. HOWEVER, SINCE THIS
16 OIL DRILLING HAS TAKEN PLACE, IT'S BECOME KNOWN AS THE PLACE
17 WHERE OIL DRILLS ARE. WE REALLY DON'T KNOW THE REAL IMPACT OF
18 THIS OIL DRILLING ON THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ITS CITIZENS.
19 BUT AS A REAL ESTATE INVESTOR, I CAN DEFINITELY TELL YOU THAT
20 IT'S HAD A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND THE
21 PROPERTY VALUES. IN CLOSING, I HAVE BEEN ADVOCATING THAT THE
22 CITIZENS WITHHOLD PROPERTY TAXES, BUT THAT HAS NOT BEEN TALKED
23 ABOUT. SO TODAY, I JUST SIMPLY URGE YOU TO PASS MR. THOMAS'
24 MOTION. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **DAMIEN GOODMON:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MY NAME IS DAMIEN GOODMON. I
2 LEAD MANY COMMUNITY GROUPS, I'M ALSO ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD
3 COUNCIL WHICH REPRESENTS THE AREA OF BALDWIN HILLS, BALDWIN
4 VISTA, THE AREA DIRECTLY ADJACENT TO THE OIL FIELD. BOARD
5 MEMBERS, THIS IS A NO BRAINER. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THE REST OF THE SUPERVISORS WHO SUPPORT HIS
7 MOTION FOR TAKING THIS ACTION. IN THE PREVIOUS DISCUSSION,
8 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SAID THAT HE DIDN'T WANT TO SEE ONE
9 CHILD DIE FROM NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THIS BOARD AND THE
10 AGENCIES WHICH ARE RESPONSIBLE TO IT. THIS TYPE OF ACTION WILL
11 PREVENT WHAT IS OCCURRING ALREADY FROM OCCURRING IN THE
12 FUTURE. WE NEED YOUR HELP. WE ARE DYING NOW. WE ARE GETTING
13 SICK NOW. AND WE NEED TO HEAR AND WE NEED INPUT FROM
14 INDEPENDENT OIL AND GAS EXPERTS THAT HAVE SUFFICIENT
15 EXPERIENCE IN THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY SO THAT WE CAN PROPERLY
16 ASSESS THEIR FUTURE PLANS AND THE IMPACTS ON US. THANK YOU.
17 [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THAT COMPLETES THE
18 PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIR. (OFF
21 MIC COMMENTS).

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHO IS THAT? I DON'T HAVE A -- I CALLED
24 A TOM WILLIAMS WHO DIDN'T REPLY. BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER
25 CARDS.



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2 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I HAVE A CARD FOR GARY GLESS, MR.
3 CHAIR IF YOU'D AFFORD HIM AN OPPORTUNITY TO COME AND MAKE HIS
4 --

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SURE. I JUST DON'T HAVE A CARD, THAT'S
7 WHY I DIDN'T CALL.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. MR. GLESS, FOR FUTURE
10 REFERENCE, PLEASE DO NOT HIDE YOUR CARD FROM THE CHAIR. THANK
11 YOU VERY MUCH. [LAUGHTER.]

12

13 **GARY GLESS:** WELL, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR
14 GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY. MY NAME IS GARY GLESS, I'M THE
15 PRESIDENT OF THE CITIZEN'S COALITION FOR A SAFE COMMUNITY. I
16 WOULD LIKE TO URGE YOU TO SUPPORT MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION
17 BEFORE YOU TO INITIATE A STUDY TO CONSIDER AMENDING THE
18 COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT IN THE BALDWIN HILLS OIL FIELD.
19 THE HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT IN AND AROUND THE OIL
20 FIELD CONTINUES TO BE FELT BY THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. AND
21 HEALTH RISKS NEED TO BE GIVEN PRIORITY AND SHOULD BE GIVEN --
22 BE FULLY EVALUATED. TO BE BRIEF, I HAVE SUBMITTED A LETTER FOR
23 YOUR CONSIDERATION. WE ALL WOULD LIKE TO THANK MARK RIDLEY-
24 THOMAS FOR HIS LEADERSHIP IN ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE THAT IS SO
25 IMPORTANT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY AND THE



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1 SUPERVISORS SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATION. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR
2 ALLOWING ME TO COME UP HERE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO PROBLEM. SORRY I DIDN'T GET YOUR
5 CARD. I THINK RIDLEY-THOMAS, HE HID IT FROM ME.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT THAT.

8 [LAUGHTER.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I THINK THE MATTER IS
13 REASONABLY STRAIGHTFORWARD. I COMPLIMENT THE PERSONS WHO CAME
14 TO TESTIFY TO CLARIFY THEIR RESPECTIVE POSITIONS ON THIS.

15 THERE IS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF WORK TO BE DONE, MR.

16 CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES. THE BOTTOM LINE IS THERE'S UNFINISHED
17 WORK. THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE STAKEHOLDERS, THE COMMUNITIES
18 OF BALDWIN HILLS, BALDWIN VISTA, VIEW PARK, WINDSOR HILLS,

19 CULVER CITY, LADERA HEIGHTS AND MORE IS LITERALLY IN PLAY

20 AND/OR AT STAKE. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, IT

21 SEEMS TO ME THAT WE ARE DUTY BOUND TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. THE

22 THRUST OF THIS MOTION IS TO TAKE AN APPROPRIATE LOOK AT

23 AMENDING THE ORDINANCE WITH THE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE IN MIND OF

24 ATTENDING TO THOSE MATTERS THAT WERE NOT ADEQUATELY ATTENDED

25 TO IN THE FIRST ROUND OF THIS EFFORT. IT HAS BEEN WELL-



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1 ARTICULATED IN THE CONTEXT OF THE MOTION AS TO WHAT COULD AND
2 SHOULD HAPPEN WITH RESPECT TO IMPOSING CONTROLS REGARDING THE
3 ABANDONMENT OF WELLS PER YEAR OVERALL, CONSIDERED THE
4 ESTABLISHING OF AN END DAY FOR DRILLING, THE POSSIBILITY OF
5 UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL SERVICE, THE POSSIBILITY OF
6 UNDERGROUNDING OR PIPING, PROVIDING FOR IMMEDIATE RESTORATION
7 OF VEGETATION AND TOPOGRAPHY AND INSURING THE ADEQUACY OF THE
8 REQUIRED HEALTH STUDIES. MR. CHAIRMAN, I CHOOSE NOT TO
9 REHEARSE THE PAST. I AM FOCUSED ON THE FUTURE WITH THE BALANCE
10 OF THE BOARD TO MAKE RIGHT THAT WHICH CAN BE MADE RIGHT IN THE
11 INSTANCE OF THIS COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. WITH THAT IN
12 MIND, MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT I WOULD TRUST
13 THAT ALL OF YOU WOULD BE SUPPORTIVE OF THIS EFFORT. IT IS ONLY
14 RIGHT THAT WE DO RIGHT BY THE STAKEHOLDERS IN THESE
15 COMMUNITIES AS THEY HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO MAKE THEIR
16 COMMUNITY THE KIND OF COMMUNITIES OF WHICH ALL OF US WOULD BE
17 PROUD. AND ANY CORPORATE INTEREST THAT IS NOT A GOOD CITIZEN
18 OUGHT TO BE OBLIGED OR COMPELLED TO ESSENTIALLY COEXIST
19 CONSISTENT WITH THE HIGHEST STANDARDS POSSIBLE OF
20 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND THE PROTECTION OF THOSE WHO ARE IN
21 THAT ENVIRONMENT, AS WELL. WITH THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN, I WILL
22 CONCLUDE MY REMARKS AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR UNANIMOUS
23 VOTE.
24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR, THE ONE QUESTION I
2 HAVE, I'LL SECOND THE MOTION, BUT THE ONE QUESTION I DO HAVE
3 IS -- I HAVE TWO. ONE FOR THE ATTORNEY. DOES THIS CONFLICT
4 WITH ANY LITIGATION THAT'S GOING ON OUT THERE?

5

6 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
7 NO, IT IS NOT. YOUR BOARD IS WITHIN ITS RIGHTS TO INITIATE AN
8 ADDITIONAL STUDY.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEN THE SECOND PIECE OF THAT,
11 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, IS I UNDERSTAND THE CONSULTANT
12 PIECE, BUT HOW WILL THAT BE PAID FOR? I MEAN ONE OF THE
13 CONCERNS I THINK I HAVE, I DON'T KNOW IF THE OTHER MEMBERS DO,
14 IS THAT IF YOU EXPECT IT TO COME OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT'S
15 BUDGET THAT'S GOING TO IMPACT THE PLANNING PROCESS FOR THE
16 ENTIRE COUNTY BECAUSE THIS IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT EFFORT. SO
17 ANY IDEA?

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. AND THAT'S WHY THE AMENDING LANGUAGE
20 ADDRESSES THAT IF SUCH SHOULD BE THE CASE IN TERMS OF NET
21 COUNTY COST, IT WOULD COME BACK TO THE BOARD FOR REVIEW. MR.
22 CHAIR, THERE ARE OTHER RESOURCES AT OUR DISPOSAL THAT CAN MOVE
23 THIS PROCESS FORWARD. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE,
24 I THINK WE SHOULD BE IN REASONABLY GOOD SHAPE. AND THAT WILL
25 BE DONE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IN OTHER WORDS, IF THE
3 RECOMMENDATION IS TO COME OUT OF DEPARTMENTS, PLANNING AND
4 BUDGET, THEN IT SHOULD COME BACK TO THE BOARD.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXACTLY.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE THAT WOULD HAVE AN IMPACT
9 COUNTY-WIDE AND A MULTITUDE OF PLANNING EFFORTS THAT ARE GOING
10 ON.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THAT'S IN THE MOTION.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. OKAY, WITH THAT, IT'S
15 BEEN MOVED, IT'S BEEN SECONDED. ANY OBJECTIONS? SO ORDERED.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 1?

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING
22 DOWN.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 1?

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DR. CLAVREUL, ITEM NO. 1?

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3 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
4 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. WELL YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT THE
5 H.I.V. COMMISSION AND THEM ELECTING THEIR OWN INDIVIDUALS. AS
6 USUAL, YOU KNOW, THEY ARE INVOLVED WITH THE COMMISSION EITHER
7 RECEIVING THE CARE OR PROVIDING THE CARE OR WORKING WITH
8 O.A.P.P., DEFINITELY A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. BUT BUT ONE DAY
9 YOU WILL DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. AND THAT'S ALL I HAD TO SAY
10 ABOUT IT TODAY.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, AS LONG AS YOU'RE HERE, YOU'VE
13 ALSO SIGNED UP ON 27, 28 AND 50 IF YOU'D LIKE TO ADDRESS
14 THOSE?

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** 27 AND 28, YES. 50, YOU --

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AFTER REPORT, OKAY.

19

20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** WELL, YOU KNOW, INFORMATION
21 TECHNOLOGY, WE HAVE A NEW CONTRACT ALL THE TIME. FOR THE LAST
22 TWO, THREE YEARS I HAVE ASKED TO GET A COMPLETE COLLECTION OF
23 ALL THE CONTRACTS WE HAVE. I STILL HAVE NEVER HEARD FROM YOU.
24 TODAY WE HAVE TWO CONTRACTS COMING TO AN AMOUNT OF \$150
25 MILLION, WHICH IS QUITE SUBSTANTIAL. YOU KNOW, WE'RE



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1 DUPLICATING THINGS. AND I DON'T KNOW WHO IS IN CHARGE OF
2 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OR HOW THE CONTRACTS ARE DONE. BUT
3 THERE SEEMS TO BE TOTALLY LACK OF COORDINATION. AND THAT'S
4 VERY CHAGRIN ME. BECAUSE I THINK THERE IS A LOT OF WASTE. AND
5 I THINK A LOT OF THE PROBLEM WE ARE HAVING IN OTHER
6 DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING CHILDREN'S SERVICES, HOSPITAL AND SO ON,
7 IS BECAUSE WE DO NOT HAVE THE COMMUNICATION. AND WE ARE
8 GETTING A NEW CONTRACT, RENEWING CONTRACTS, ESPECIALLY
9 RENEWING CONTRACT WITH QUADRAMED. AND I'M VERY CONCERNED TO
10 SEE WHAT WE ARE GETTING FOR OUR MONEY. AND I THINK WE SHOULD
11 BE LOOKING AT THAT. AND I STILL WANT A COMPLETE DETAIL OF ALL
12 THE CONTRACTS. AND IF I HAVE TO SUE THE COUNTY, MAYBE I
13 SHOULD. BECAUSE I HAVE ASKED YOU FOR A LONG, LONG TIME. AND AS
14 THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC AND A MEMBER OF THE PRESS, I DO HAVE
15 THE RIGHT TO GET THAT DOCUMENTATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
16 ATTENTION.

17
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ITEM 27, ITEM 28, MOVED BY
19 SUPERVISOR --

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ITEM 1. MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M SORRY, ON ITEM
22 NO. 27, THERE'S ANOTHER SPEAKER. BUT ITEM NO. 1 AND 28 ARE
23 BEFORE YOU.



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 1 AND 28, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
3 SO ORDERED.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF WE COULD HAVE MARK PESTRELLA OF THE PUBLIC
6 WORKS TO RESPOND TO THE REPORT WE ASKED RELATIVE TO THE JULY
7 1ST DIRECTIVE DISCUSSING GRAY WATER, HOW TO ENHANCE THE SUPPLY
8 OF GRAY WATER FOR OUR COUNTY TO LESSEN THE NEED FOR --

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT'S THE ITEM?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS WAS THE REPORT BACK THAT WE HAD ASKED
13 FOR ON JULY 21ST. AND HE'S GOING TO GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THAT
14 REPORT RELATIVE TO DOUBLING THE USAGE OF RECLAIMED WATER FOR
15 NONDRINKING PURPOSES. SO COULD YOU GIVE AN UPDATE WHAT HAS
16 TAKEN PLACE?

17

18 **MARK PESTRELLA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. MARK
19 PESTRELLA, WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
20 WORKS. HERE TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON THE REPORT REGARDING
21 RECLAIMED WATER. TWO WEEKS AGO, YOU ASKED OUR DEPARTMENT, AND
22 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR MENTIONING AND BRINGING THIS VERY
23 IMPORTANT SUBJECT TO LIGHT FOR THE BOARD. THE DEPARTMENT'S
24 PREPARED A REPORT THAT WILL BE IN YOUR OFFICES TODAY THAT
25 DETAILS EFFORTS TO DATE WITH RESPECT TO RECLAIMED WATER USE.



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1 THE REPORT, AS I SAID, DETAILS PLANNING EFFORTS THAT HAVE BEEN
2 ONGOING SINCE 2006 UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD, INCLUDING
3 PRIORITIZING PROJECTS THAT COULD BE DONE BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
4 TO RETROFIT THEIR DEPARTMENTS FOR RECLAIMED WATER USE AS WELL
5 AS EFFORTS BY THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND OUR WATER WORKS
6 DISTRICTS TO INCREASE THE USE OF RECLAIMED WATER. THERE ARE
7 SEVERAL LARGE PROJECTS, ACTUALLY, THAT I'M HAPPY TO REPORT TO
8 YOU ABOUT THAT ARE HAPPENING TODAY, OR ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED
9 AS WE SPEAK IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR SANITATION DISTRICTS. AND
10 AS I SPOKE EARLIER, THE DEPARTMENTS. ONE LARGE PROJECT THAT I
11 KNOW YOU'RE AWARE OF IS OUR RECYCLED WATER BACKBONE SYSTEM IN
12 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHICH WE ANTICIPATE WILL GENERATE 17,000
13 ACRE FEET OF RECLAIMED WATER FOR USE BY THE CITIES OF
14 PALMDALE, LANCASTER AND OUR WATERWORKS DISTRICT UNINCORPORATED
15 DISTRICTS, AS WELL. THAT PROJECT IS BEING SUPPLIED BY THE
16 SANITATION DISTRICT, WHO ARE UPGRADING THEIR PLANT TO TERTIARY
17 TREATMENT TO THAT PURPOSE. THERE ARE ALSO TWO OTHER LARGE
18 PROJECTS RECENTLY, GROUND WATER RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENT
19 PROJECT, THE THE SANITATION DISTRICT HAS RECENTLY COME FORWARD
20 WITH A PROJECT IN WHICH THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT WILL BE
21 PARTNERING WITH THE SANITATION DISTRICT IN THE SAN JOSE CREEK
22 AREA TO DELIVER ANOTHER 18,000 ACRE FEET OF RECLAIMED WATER
23 FOR RECHARGE PURPOSES. AGAIN AT A TERTIARY TREATMENT LEVEL.
24 AND MOST RECENTLY, A BOARD LETTER IN FRONT OF YOU WHERE WE,
25 THE DISTRICT, PARTNERED WITH REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT, THE



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1 GREATER LOS ANGELES BASIN, TO PROVIDE A PIPELINE SYSTEM TO
2 DELVER, AGAIN, RECLAIMED WATER TO OUR RECHARGE FACILITIES IN
3 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. SO WHAT I'M IN SUMMARY TRYING TO TELL
4 THE BOARD IS THAT WE ARE VERY AWARE -- THE DISTRICT, THE
5 COUNTY, ALONG WITH THE C.E.O., UNDER YOUR DIRECTION, THAT WE
6 HAVE TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS AND THIS SHORTAGE, IF YOU WILL, OF
7 IMPORTED WATER AVAILABLE TO THE REGION. AND THE WAY THAT WE'RE
8 GOING ABOUT THAT IS BY PARTNERING WITH THE LARGER WATER
9 AGENCIES AS WELL AS LOOKING AT LOCAL USE OF RECLAIMED WATER,
10 RECHARGE AND RECYCLED WATER TO SUPPLANT IMPORTED WATERS FOR
11 DOMESTIC USE. AGAIN, THE REPORT THAT HAS BEEN PREPARED IN
12 DRAFT FORM WILL BE READY FOR THE BOARD THIS AFTERNOON.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT PERCENTAGE OF RUNOFF WATER DO WE
15 RECYCLE?

16

17 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WE CURRENTLY, IN TERMS OF STORM WATER, SURFACE
18 WATERS, IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHERE WE HAVE THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT, WE'RE CAPTURING ALMOST 90 PERCENT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 90 PERCENT?

22

23 **MARK PESTRELLA:** 90 PERCENT OF THE WATER IN OUR FLOOD CONTROL
24 SYSTEM AND RECHARGING TO THE GROUND ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. IN THE



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1 LAST TWO YEARS WE ACHIEVED A NUMBER SOMEWHERE IN THE ORDER OF
2 95 PERCENT OF THOSE WATERS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY?

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6 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ABOUT OTHER PARTS?

9

10 **MARK PESTRELLA:** LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED, WE ARE NOT AT
11 THOSE KIND OF NUMBERS BUT WE'RE ACTIVELY PURSUING HIGHER
12 NUMBERS ALONG WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. I DON'T HAVE AN
13 EXACT NUMBER FOR YOU TODAY IN TERMS OF THE PERCENTAGE, BUT I
14 WOULD IMAGINE IT'S IN THE 50 PERCENT RANGE AND THAT WE
15 ACTUALLY RECHARGE IN THE L.A. RIVER SYSTEM. THE PROBLEM IN THE
16 LA. RIVER SYSTEM IS THAT WE HAVE SOIL TYPES THAT DON'T ALLOW
17 FOR THE EFFICIENCY AND RECHARGE THAT WE HAVE IN THE SAN
18 GABRIEL VALLEY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THAT BECAUSE OF THE CHEMICALS THAT ARE
21 JUST IN THAT RIVER?

22

23 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL, CERTAINLY THE IMPAIRMENT AND GROUND
24 WATER SYSTEMS HAVE RESTRICTED OUR ABILITY TO RECHARGE CERTAIN
25 WATERS. BUT IT MOSTLY HAS TO DO WITH THE GEOLOGY OF THE AREA,



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1 SOILS OF THE AREA THAT RESTRICT OUR ABILITY TO DO LARGE-SCALE
2 RECHARGE IN THE L.A. RIVER WATERSHED.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IN THE REPORT WHEN YOU COMPLETE IT FOR
5 THE BOARD, COULD YOU GIVE PERHAPS A PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN WHERE
6 WE ARE RECYCLING THE RECLAIMED WATER IN THE VARIOUS
7 JURISDICTIONS? AND ALSO, WE HAVE A LIST OF STATE OR FEDERAL
8 GRANTS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO ENHANCE THE CAPACITY OF RECLAIMED
9 WATER FOR NONDRINKING PURPOSES.

10

11 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT WILL BE INCLUDED, YES, WE CAN DO THAT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I GUESS THERE'S ANOTHER SPEAKER ON ITEM 28,
18 YOU SAID?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK ITEM 28, MR. SACHS? BRING ALL
21 YOUR STUFF, I'LL KEEP YOU UP HERE. 27.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU AGAIN. GOOD AFTERNOON. JUST ACTUALLY I
24 WANTED 27 AND 21 I WAS GOING TO COMBINE. I'M JUST HOPING THAT
25 THE RIGHT PEOPLE GET THE RIGHT CHECK. WITH QUADRAMED AFFINITY



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1 CORPORATION AND QUADRAMED CORPORATION, AND THEN GETTY
2 SYNTHETIC FUELS INCORPORATED AND G.S.F. ENERGY, WHICH I'M SURE
3 STANDS FOR GETTY SYNTHETIC FUELS ENERGY LICENSED LIABILITY
4 COMPANY. JUST THE FACT THAT YOU CAN SLIP IN OR CHANGE ONE WORD
5 IN THESE COMPANIES' TITLES AND IT BECOMES A TOTALLY DIFFERENT
6 ENTITY, I'D JUST LIKE TO BRING UP WHEN YOU DO THAT WITH THE
7 EXPO LINE AND THE MID-CITY BECOMES THE MID-CITY EXPO LINE,
8 IT'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT ENTITY EXCEPT THAT'S NOT ADDRESSED,
9 EITHER. IT'S JUST THE LANGUAGE HERE. THAT'S A CONCERN. WHEN
10 YOU CAN ADDRESS THESE TWO ITEMS AND THESE FOUR COMPANIES,
11 BASICALLY, FOR THESE TWO DIFFERENT ITEMS, WHY IS IT NOT SO
12 DIFFERENT WHEN WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A MUNICIPAL PROJECT THAT
13 HAS TWO DIFFERENT NAMES FOR THE SAME INFRASTRUCTURE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE LIMIT YOUR TESTIMONY. THANK YOU.
16 ITEM 21, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE. MR. ANTONOVICH SECONDS.
17 SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING NO. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
18 ITEM 27, I'LL MOVE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
19 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. YOU ALSO HELD ITEMS -- WHAT
20 ELSE DO WE HAVE LEFT? I THOUGHT HE REMOVED 3-D.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO, HE HAS ITEMS 3-D, 6-D, 5-H AND NO. 4.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK ONE QUESTION, MR. CHAIRMAN, BEFORE
2 WE LEAVE 27?

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. FUJIOKA, I WAS JUST LOOKING AT THIS. IT
7 CAUGHT MY ATTENTION THAT PART OF THE \$65 MILLION CONTRACT,
8 THAT'S NOT WHAT'S BEFORE US, SO SLIGHT AMENDMENT TO IT, BUT
9 IT'S FOR SOFTWARE AND OTHER TECHNICAL STUFF AT THREE
10 FACILITIES INCLUDING KING-DREW. WHAT ARE WE PAYING FOR AT
11 KING-DREW RIGHT NOW?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IF YOU HOLD THAT, I'LL GET THAT INFORMATION.
14 THE TOTAL AMOUNT?

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T WANT TO KNOW THE AMOUNT. I JUST WANT
17 TO KNOW WHAT IS IT? IS THIS ONE OF THESE THINGS WHICH, LIKE
18 THE TELEPHONE LINES, WHICH SLIP THROUGH THE CRACKS, WE'RE
19 STILL PAYING FOR SOMETHING?

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, NO, NO. THIS IS THE EXISTING MEDICAL
22 RECORDS SYSTEM. AFFINITY IS YOUR MEDICAL RECORD SYSTEM AT
23 THESE VARIOUS FACILITIES. I'LL CONFIRM.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JOHN'S HERE. MAYBE HE CAN JUST ANSWER IT.



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2 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, THIS INCLUDES THE CLINIC
3 REGISTRATION SYSTEM. IT INCLUDES A LOT OF THE FINANCE SYSTEM
4 THAT ARE BEING USED AT KING-DREW. THESE AFFINITY SYSTEMS ARE
5 IN TWO DIFFERENT CONTRACTS BECAUSE OF HOW THEY'VE COME UP OVER
6 TIME. BUT WE ARE CONTINUING TO USE THAT SYSTEM TO RUN THE
7 M.A.C.C.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, AND IT'S THE SAME COST? IT'S THE SAME
10 CONTRACT, IT JUST ROLLED OVER TO THE M.A.C.C. AFTER THE
11 HOSPITAL CLOSED?

12

13 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S CORRECT, YEAH. I CAN ASK WHETHER
14 THERE'S BEEN ANY ADJUSTMENT TO IT FOR THAT. I'D BE HAPPY TO
15 GET BACK TO YOU ON THAT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN YOU GET BACK TO ME ON THAT? I'M NOT
18 GOING TO MOVE TO RECONSIDER. YOU'VE ANSWERED MOST OF MY
19 QUESTION. BUT GET BACK TO ME ON THAT. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. SACHS, IF YOU'LL ADDRESS 3-D,
22 6-D, 5-H AND 4.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 3-D, JUST VERY QUICKLY, THIS IS PARK FUNDS. THE
25 AMOUNT INCORPORATED INTO THE COMMISSION, WOULD THAT INCLUDE OR



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1 IS A PORTION OF THESE FUNDINGS QUIMBY FEES THAT HAVE BEEN
2 COLLECTED? AND IF SO, WHAT WOULD BE THE PERCENTAGE OF QUIMBY
3 FEES? AND IF NOT, WHY NOT? I DON'T KNOW. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THERE'S VERY SPECIFIC GUIDELINES
6 FOR QUIMBY FEES. THE QUIMBY FEES, IT WOULD BE IN THE REPORT
7 ALREADY.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SO IT DOESN'T INCLUDE THEM THEN.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL MOVE 3-D, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
12 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 5-H, SIR?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 5-H.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 5-H. WOULD THIS INFORMAL PROCUREMENT, WOULD IT
19 INCLUDE CHANGE ORDERS THAT WOULD BE DONE. WOULD THERE BE
20 OVERSIGHT THERE? I MEAN AGAIN, I WOULD HATE TO BE REPETITIOUS
21 REGARDING THIS, BUT A SIMILAR SITUATION OCCURRED IN MANHATTAN
22 BEACH WITH THEIR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION ON A BOND. AND THEY
23 ALLOWED CHANGE ORDERS TO GO THROUGH AT UNDER \$100,000 WITHOUT
24 OVERSIGHT. AND THEY ENDED UP SPENDING ENOUGH MONEY THAT THEY
25 SHORTED THEMSELVES A BUILDING. SO I'M JUST WONDERING THAT



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1 THERE WOULD BE, WITH THIS INFORMAL PROCUREMENT, WOULD THAT
2 INCLUDE CHANGE ORDERS? AND THERE IS AN OVERSIGHT CLAUSE IN
3 THIS DIRECTION.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD HAVE TO ASK STAFF ON THAT ONE,
6 WHETHER IT INCLUDES CHANGE ORDERS. I DIDN'T READ IT TO INCLUDE
7 CHANGE ORDERS.

8

9 **SEAN ROGAN:** THE ANSWER IS YES, ANYTHING OVER \$100,000,
10 INCLUDING CHANGE ORDERS, WOULD HAVE TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHAT ABOUT UNDER 100,000?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS UP TO 100,000.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT HE MENTIONED OVER 100,000.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** UP TO 100,000 IT DOESN'T. THIS IS GIVING
21 HIM THE AUTHORITY.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, UP TO 100 DOESN'T? THAT'S A PROBLEM.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. 5-H, I'LL
2 MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
3 ORDERED. OKAY.

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5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM NO. 4.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 4.

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9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THIS APPEARS ON TODAY'S CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
10 REGARDING THE ADELANTE SITE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT. I'M SORRY.
11 SO I WAS JUST WONDERING, SINCE IT'S ALSO A FACTOR IN THE CITY
12 COUNCIL AGENDA OF LOS ANGELES, WHY NOT -- AND I CAN'T BELIEVE
13 I'M GOING TO SAY THIS -- A BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LIKE THE
14 GRAND AVENUE PROJECT THAT INCLUDES BOTH COUNTY AND CITY, WHY
15 SEPARATE AGENDAS FOR THE SAME PROJECT? WE KNOW HOW WELL THE
16 GRAND AVENUE PROJECT BOARD IS WORKING. WHY NOT HAVE (LAUGHING)
17 WHY NOT HAVE THAT FOR THIS PROJECT?

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. YOU'RE GET BEING A KICK
20 OUT OF YOURSELF, HUH?

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22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'M GET BEING A KICK THINKING ABOUT HOW WELL THE
23 GRAND AVENUE PROJECT IS WORKING.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT. ITEM 4 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
2 MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
3 SO ORDERED. ITEM 19, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE, SECONDED BY
4 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. I
5 BELIEVE THAT'S IT.

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 19?

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE ALREADY DID 19.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE ITEM NO. 45 THAT HE'S HOLDING WITH
12 SOMEBODY ELSE.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL TAKE UP 45. OKAY. ITEM WHAT?

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 60.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TAKE A SEAT THERE, MR. SACHS.

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20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I WILL.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 60 IS A PUBLIC HEARING. AND ALL
23 THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND TO
24 RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN? IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY
25 GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE



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1 TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU
2 GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. ON ITEM NO. 60 AND I'LL
3 JUST READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS A HEARING
4 ON AMENDMENT TO COUNTY CODE, TITLE 22, PLANNING AND ZONING
5 RELATED TO THE MODIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR
6 HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT AND SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREAS.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** STAFF HAS SOMETHING.

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12 **KAREN SIMMONS:** A BRIEF PRESENTATION. GOOD MORNING,
13 SUPERVISORS. I'M KAREN SIMMONS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
14 PLANNING. WITH ME IS ROSE HAMILTON, ALSO WITH THE DEPARTMENT
15 OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THIS PROJECT IS AMENDMENT TO TITLE 22 TO
16 CLARIFY THE EXISTING REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A C.U.P. IN
17 CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN HILLSIDE
18 MANAGEMENT AND SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREAS. CURRENTLY THE
19 ZONING ORDINANCE REQUIRES A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR MANY
20 CONSTRUCTION AND LAND DIVISION ACTIVITIES WITHIN HILLSIDE
21 MANAGEMENT AND S.E.A.S. IN 1998, THE BOARD ADDED AN
22 APPLICATION FOR A RELOCATION OF TWO OR MORE LOT LINES BETWEEN
23 THREE OR MORE CONTIGUOUS PARCELS THAT WOULD ALSO REQUIRE A
24 C.U.P. NOT TO CREATE ADDITIONAL BURDENS ON THE SINGLE-FAMILY
25 HOMEOWNER, THE BOARD CREATED A SPECIAL EXEMPTION FOR



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1 INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS WHO ARE BUILDING THEIR OWN
2 RESIDENCE ON AN EXISTING LOT. THE CONCERN HAS ARISEN THAT
3 EXISTING HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT AND S.E.A. C.U.P. REQUIREMENTS AS
4 THEY RELATE TO LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED
5 THROUGH APPLICATION OF MULTIPLE OWNERSHIP ENTITIES. LIMITED
6 LIABILITY COMPANIES COULD BE USED TO MAKE LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS
7 AMONG MULTIPLE PARCELS APPEAR TO BE SEPARATE TRANSACTIONS,
8 WHEN IN REALITY THEY ARE PART OF A SINGLE UNIFIED EFFORT. THE
9 SINGLE OWNER EXEMPTION WAS NOT INTENDED TO ALLOW SITUATIONS
10 WHERE MULTIPLE PROPERTY OWNERS ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO USE THE
11 LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE TO INCREASE THE DEVELOPMENT
12 POTENTIAL OF HIGHLY SENSITIVE USES. REVISING AN EXEMPTION CAN
13 PROTECT INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS OF SINGLE LOTS WHILE NOT
14 ALLOWING THE EXEMPTION TO BE USED INCORRECTLY BY DEVELOPERS.
15 THE HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT S.E.A. ORDINANCE CURRENTLY CONTAINS AN
16 EXEMPTION FROM THE C.U.P. REQUIREMENT FOR INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-
17 FAMILY RESIDENTS WHERE NOT MORE THAN ONE SUCH RESIDENT IS
18 PROPOSED TO BE BUILT ON A CONTIGUOUS LOTS OR PARCELS OF LAND.
19 REGIONAL PLANNING'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT WILL BE ADDED TO THE
20 END OF THIS SENTENCE TO CLARIFY THAT "NOTWITHSTANDING THE
21 EXEMPTION FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE PROPOSED BY A SINGLE
22 OWNER, RELOCATION OF TWO OR MORE PROPERTY LINES BETWEEN THREE
23 OR MORE CONTIGUOUS PARCELS REQUIRES A C.U.P. REGARDLESS OF THE
24 OWNERSHIP OF THE INVOLVED PARCELS." IN FURTHER DISCUSSIONS
25 WITH COUNTY COUNSEL, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO



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1 ALSO ADD SIMILAR LANGUAGE TO THE INITIAL PORTION OF THE
2 HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT S.E.A. C.U.P. ORDINANCE. TO FURTHER
3 CLARIFY THE INTENT OF THE ORDINANCE, WE BELIEVE IT WILL BE
4 APPROPRIATE TO ALSO SPECIFY THAT THE EXISTING C.U.P.
5 REQUIREMENT FOR LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS CANNOT BE AVOIDED MERELY
6 BY SUBMITTING SUCCESSIVE OR MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS IN ORDER TO
7 INDICATE THE APPEARANCE OF SEPARATE TRANSACTIONS. COUNTY
8 COUNSEL CAN PREPARE THE FINAL LANGUAGE FOR THE BOARD'S
9 APPROVAL. THE ONLY PUBLIC COMMENT WE HAVE RECEIVED REGARDING
10 THIS CASE IS A LETTER IN SUPPORT WE RECEIVED YESTERDAY FROM
11 THE LAS VIRGENES HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION. THIS CONCLUDES STAFF
12 PRESENTATION. I'M AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF?

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO QUESTIONS. I WOULD JUST MOVE THE
17 RECOMMENDATION.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
20 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
21 ORDERED. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM 19. WE
22 HAD ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS THAT I WAS NOT AWARE OF AND I
23 APOLOGIZE.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MOVED.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SECOND HERE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
3 ORDERED. ON ITEM 19, I WOULD ASK -- WAIT, EXCUSE ME. DID WE
4 HAVE SOMEONE ON ITEM 60? WE DIDN'T, DID WE? OKAY. ON ITEM 19,
5 I WOULD ASK MIKE CHATTOM TO JOIN US, SUSAN BURTON, JOSHUA KIM,
6 HALIM HUSSEIN. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST, PLEASE FEEL
7 FREE. JUST IDENTIFY YOURSELF.

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9 **JOSHUA KIM:** MY NAME IS JOSHUA KIM, STAFF ATTORNEY AT A NEW WAY
10 OF LIFE AND A MEMBER OF ALL OF US OR NONE. I WAS HERE THREE
11 WEEKS AGO TO OPPOSE THE MOTION THAT'S CURRENTLY BEFORE -- THE
12 RESOLUTION THAT'S CURRENTLY BEFORE THE BOARD. AND I WANT TO
13 REITERATE MY POSITION ON THAT. BECAUSE I HAVE HERE TODAY MY
14 FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES WHO ACTUALLY HAVE SOMETHING IN COMMON,
15 THAT THEY ALL HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD AND THEY WILL
16 INDIVIDUALLY BE AFFECTED BY THE DECISION MADE BY THE BOARD
17 TODAY AND ALSO THE FINE WORK THAT THEY DO FOR THE COMMUNITY OF
18 LOS ANGELES. AND I WANT TO FOCUS THE BOARD'S ATTENTION TO
19 SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD MIGHT NOT HAVE PAID ATTENTION TO
20 BEFORE, WHICH IS THE SECOND PART OF THE RESOLUTION, THE
21 RESOLUTION TO DENY EMPLOYMENT TO PEOPLE CONVICTED OF MORAL
22 TURPITUDE CRIMES. I DON'T KNOW IF THE BOARD IS AWARE OF THE
23 SIGNIFICANT CHANGE THAT THIS BRINGS TO EMPLOYMENT OF PEOPLE
24 WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS IN THE COUNTY OF L.A. CURRENTLY THE
25 BOARD POSITION, AS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD BACK IN 1998, IS TO



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1 CONDUCT BACKGROUND CHECKS AND DO A REVIEW OF THEIR HISTORY
2 ONLY FOR SENSITIVE POSITIONS. AS IMPERFECT AS THE
3 IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT RESOLUTION HAS BEEN, THE MESSAGE THAT
4 IT SENDS IS: WE WANT TO PROTECT THE VULNERABLE POPULATION. WE
5 WANT TO PROTECT PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND IT'S A
6 MESSAGE THAT WE ALL AGREE WITH. HOWEVER, THIS CHANGE, OR THE
7 ADDITION, OR FOCUS, SHIFTING OF FOCUS AWAY FROM THAT SENSE OF
8 PROTECTION OF VULNERABLE POPULATION TO A CRIMES OF MORAL
9 TURPITUDE SENDS A MESSAGE THAT'S ENTIRELY DIFFERENT. IT IS
10 THAT WE DO NOT WANT PEOPLE CONVICTED OF MORAL TURPITUDE
11 CRIMES, MEANING, WE DO NOT WANT YOU CRIMINALS. I DO NOT THINK
12 THAT THIS IS A MESSAGE THAT THE BOARD WANTS TO SEND,
13 ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE FACT THAT A HIGH PERCENTAGE OF L.A.
14 RESIDENTS HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD AND HAVE REHABILITATED, JUST
15 AS MY FINE COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS HERE TODAY ARE. AND I DON'T
16 THINK THE BOARD IS AWARE OF THE IMPACT OF THIS RESOLUTION AND
17 I STRONGLY URGE THE BOARD TO RECONSIDER ADOPTING THIS PART OF
18 THE RESOLUTION, AT LEAST. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

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22 **MIKE CHATTOM:** MY NAME IS MIKE CHATTOM. I'M A MEMBER OF ALL OF
23 US OR NONE, THE COMPTON CHAPTER. AND I AM ONE THAT HAS WORKED
24 WITH THE COUNTY IN THE PAST FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS. AND IN
25 THIS AREA OF THE ELECTIONS, I WAS BRIEFLY NOTIFIED BY THE



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1 COUNTY JUST ABOUT MAYBE ABOUT THREE OR FOUR MONTHS AGO THAT MY
2 BACKGROUND WAS GOING TO BE CHECKED. AND I HAD DISCLOSED ON THE
3 APPLICATION SOME THREE YEARS AGO BY WORKING WITH YOU OF MY
4 CRIMINAL BACKGROUND. I THOUGHT THAT DUE TO ME PERFORMING WELL
5 AND TO GETTING ON A CERTIFIED LIST THAT I WOULD BE GIVEN THE
6 RESPONSIBILITY OF GETTING A JOB, BECAUSE I WAS PROMISED
7 THROUGH THE PERSONNEL THAT WITH PERFORMANCE YOU WOULD GRADUATE
8 UP. AND AS A RESULT, I THINK IT WAS THE THIRD OF MARCH, '09,
9 WHEN I WAS INFORMED THAT I HAD TO COME DOWN AND DO A LIFE
10 SCAN, I WAS DEEPLY DISAPPOINTED BECAUSE THE FAVORABILITY OF ME
11 GETTING A JOB WHEN THE LIFE SCANS ARE BEING DONE, IT WOULD BE
12 SOMEWHAT NEGATIVE. AND AS A RESULT OF THIS, I WAS NOT GIVEN
13 ANY INDICATION WHATSOEVER WHEN MAY 19TH ROLLED AROUND THAT I
14 WOULD BE WORKING OR I WOULD BE EMPLOYABLE WITH THE COUNTY IN
15 THE AREA. SO I WAS DISMAYED AS TO WHY THAT WAS DONE WHEN I
16 DISCLOSED IT EVEN ON MY APPLICATION. AND EVEN WITH THE
17 PERFORMANCE THAT I HAVE DONE FOR THE LAST 2-1/2 YEARS, I
18 THOUGHT THAT WAS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS. SO WITH ACTIONS LIKE
19 THAT, THAT WOULD SEND A DISAPPOINTMENT TOWARD ME AS WELL AS MY
20 OTHER FELLOW COLLEAGUES WHO HAVE BEEN PERFORMING IN THAT
21 POSITION OF A DRIVER, ELECTION 2. IT JUST DEEPLY DISCOURAGED
22 ME FROM EVEN THINKING THAT THE COUNTY WAS COMING FORTHRIGHT IN
23 SAYING THAT THEY HAD JOBS FOR THOSE WHO HAD MAYBE PERHAPS A
24 CRIMINAL ISSUE IN THEIR BACKGROUND BUT THAT WOULD NOW PERFORM
25 BETTER THROUGH REHABILITATION, OF WHICH I HAVE. SO TO SEE THIS



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1 ITEM HERE INDICATED ON THIS ITEM 19, IT WAS JUST MIND BOGGLING
2 TO SEE THAT WE WOULD START IMPLEMENTING THIS. AND I SEE THAT
3 IT WAS ALWAYS IN EFFECT IN 1998. WELL, IN 2006, '07, AND '08,
4 I WAS WORKING. SO OBVIOUSLY THE CHECKS DIDN'T GO THROUGH AT
5 THAT TIME. SO I'M CONCERNED AS TO WHY THE COUNTY WOULD TRY TO
6 IMPLEMENT SUCH A DRASTIC POLICY FOR THOSE WHO NEED JOBS AND TO
7 KEEP HIGH EMPLOYMENT ALARMINGLY GOING IN THE COUNTY WHEN WE
8 NEED TO REDUCE THE UNEMPLOYMENT LINES SO THAT PEOPLE CAN HAVE
9 JOBS. SO I WOULD HOPE THAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER THIS AND
10 CONSIDER THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING AND JUDGE THEM OFF THEIR
11 PERFORMANCE RATHER THAN THEIR BACKGROUND. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR. YOUR NAME IS?

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15 **HALIM HUSSEIN:** MY NAME IS HALIM HUSSEIN.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME CALL A COUPLE MORE UP HERE,
18 PLEASE. I ALREADY CALLED SUSAN BURTON. LORRAINE DILLARD AND
19 ARNOLD SACHS. OKAY, MR. HUSSEIN.

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21 **HALIM HUSSEIN:** I'M THE FOUNDER OF PRO SE LITS, PAPERLESS CIVIL
22 LITIGATION. AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE COMMUNITY IS AFFORDABLE
23 LEGAL SERVICES. AND I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE BOARD MY
24 PAST. IF IT HAD NOT BEEN FOR PEOPLE IN THE EMPLOYMENT INDUSTRY
25 TAKING A CHANCE WITH ME, I WOULDN'T BE SITTING HERE. I'VE



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1 MANAGED TO BE EMPLOYED WITH D.O.D., DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE,
2 U.S. TREASURY, AND OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES WITH THE PAST
3 BACKGROUND THAT I HAVE, CRIMINAL BACKGROUND THAT I HAVE,
4 BECAUSE OF MY REHABILITATION. AND THIS RESOLUTION IS -- TO
5 IMPLEMENT SUCH A RESOLUTION AT THIS TIME WOULD REALLY DETER A
6 LOT OF PEOPLE WITH A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND FROM REALLY TRYING TO
7 BECOME PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF THIS SOCIETY. I'M GLAD THAT I AM
8 NOT LOOKING FOR A JOB ANYMORE. BECAUSE WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION
9 OF SUCH RESOLUTION WITH SUCH BROAD AUTHORITY, WOULD PRECLUDE
10 MANY WHO HAVE REALLY TURNED THEIR LIVES AROUND IN WANTING TO
11 BECOME PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF SOCIETY AND MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS
12 TO SOCIETY. SO I AM BEGGING, OR PRAYING, THAT THE BOARD WOULD
13 NOT IMPLEMENT SUCH RESOLUTION HERE AT THIS TIME.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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17 **LORRAINE DILLARD:** HI, MY NAME IS LORRAINE DILLARD. I AM A
18 PARTICIPANT OF THE NEW WAY OF LIFE REENTRY PROJECT. I AM ALSO
19 AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ESSENCE OF LIFE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
20 AGENCY, WHICH PROVIDES EMERGENCY SHELTER AND TEMPORARY HOUSING
21 FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES, INDIVIDUALS AND WOMEN AND CHILDREN. I
22 COME BEFORE THE BOARD ASKING THE BROADER QUESTION BECAUSE I
23 JUST WONDER WHY HAS THIS PARTICULAR RESOLUTION BEEN PUT ON THE
24 BOARD AS I'D LIKE SOME CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION AS TO WHY THIS
25 IS A PRIORITY, WHEN THERE ARE SO MANY INDIVIDUALS OUT HERE,



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1 INCLUDING LIKE MYSELF, WHO HAVE BEEN REHABILITATED, WHO HAVE
2 MADE SIGNIFICANT AND STILL ARE MAKING SIGNIFICANT
3 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THEIR COMMUNITIES? AND I JUST WOULD LIKE TO
4 GET SOME CLARITY ON WHY IS IT SUCH A PRIORITY TO PRECLUDE, TO
5 PRESENT ADDITIONAL BARRIERS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE THE
6 ABILITY, WHO ARE PROFESSIONALS. MYSELF, I HAVE A DEGREE IN
7 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. I MADE A MISTAKE BASED ON SOME POOR
8 CHOICES IN MY LIFE OVER 10 YEARS AGO. AND IN THE PRIVATE
9 INDUSTRY, I'VE HAD THE FORTUNE OF PEOPLE OVERLOOKING THAT IN
10 SOME AREAS. BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE AREN'T GOING TO HAVE THAT
11 OPPORTUNITY. I HAVE MARKETABLE SKILLS. BUT THERE ARE
12 INDIVIDUALS WHO JUST -- THEY JUST GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE
13 SOMEONE ADVOCATE FOR THEM, SOMEONE TO OPEN A DOOR AND SAY:
14 HERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY. I ALSO HAVE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY AS AN
15 INSPECTOR AT THE VOTING POLLS. AND I'VE DONE THAT FOR THE LAST
16 THREE YEARS. AND SO NOW WE'RE COMING UP WITH THIS RESOLUTION
17 THAT ASKS YOU TO GO BACK AND TAKE A LOOK AT MY BACKGROUND
18 AFTER I'VE PERFORMED AND I'VE MADE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION.
19 AND I STILL AM. AND SO I JUST WOULD LIKE THE QUESTION ANSWERED
20 AS TO WHAT IS THE CONTEXT OF WHY THIS IS A PRIORITY WHEN WE
21 ARE AT A TIME WHEN PEOPLE ARE FACING OTHER ECONOMIC BARRIERS
22 OTHER THAN JUST THE ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO COMPETE FOR JOBS.
23 AND I DEAL WITH POPULATIONS EVERY DAY WHERE FOLKS COME IN AND
24 THEY HAVE MONUMENTAL HURDLES TO OVERCOME. AND STABILITY IN THE
25 TERMS OF BEING ABLE TO BE SELF-SUPPORTING THROUGH YOUR OWN



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1 CONTRIBUTIONS IS BEING PRECLUDED BY A RESOLUTION OF THIS TYPE.

2 AND I JUST ASK THAT IT BE RECONSIDERED. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

5

6 **SUSAN BURTON:** I GUESS Y'ALL AIN'T ASKING NO QUESTIONS TODAY.

7 HI, GOOD MORNING. I'M SUSAN BURTON, DIRECTOR OF A NEW WAY OF

8 LIFE REENTRY PROJECT. AND FIRST OF ALL, CLEARLY I WANT TO GO

9 ON THE RECORD AS OPPOSING THIS MOTION. YOU KNOW, I'VE MADE

10 SOME POOR CHOICES. I GOT IN SITUATIONS THROUGHOUT MY LIFE,

11 ALSO, THAT CAUSED ME TO BE INCARCERATED, CONVICTED AND

12 INCARCERATED. THE JUDGE SENTENCED ME TO THE TIME THAT THE

13 JUDGE SENTENCED ME TO. THERE WERE MULTIPLE CONVICTIONS, SO

14 THERE WAS THREE YEARS, TWO YEARS, 16 MONTHS AND SO FORTH. BUT

15 FINALLY, SOMEONE GAVE ME SOME HELP. AND I GOT MY LIFE BACK ON

16 TRACK. BUT YOU KNOW, WHEN I WAS SENTENCED, IT DIDN'T SAY THAT

17 YOU WOULD BE FINGERPRINTED AND EXCLUDED FROM JOBS, EXCLUDED

18 FROM WELFARE BENEFITS BECAUSE THERE WAS A DRUG CONVICTION,

19 EXCLUDED FROM GETTING MY RELATIVES OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

20 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, JUST EXCLUDED, EXCLUDED,

21 EXCLUDED. AND RIGHT NOW, DURING THIS PERIOD, THERE ARE -- YOU

22 ALL KNOW THAT I'VE WORKED WITH PEOPLE COMING HOME FROM PRISONS

23 AS A RESULT OF MY EXPERIENCE. THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE COMING

24 BACK. AND WHERE ARE THEY GOING? WHAT DO THEY DO WITH THEM? AND

25 WHAT KIND OF FUTURE IS IN THEIR LIFE PATH? WE CAME BEFORE THE



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1 BOARD TWO YEARS AGO ASKING ABOUT A FAIR EMPLOYMENT RESOLUTION
2 WHEN YOU, SUPERVISOR YVONNE BRAITHWAITE BURKE WAS HERE. AND
3 THIS IS JUST TOTALLY, TOTALLY DIFFERENT. TOTALLY THE OPPOSITE
4 OF WHAT WE WERE SEEKING. YOU KNOW, I JUST DON'T GET IT. YOU
5 KNOW, MORE CHECKS, MORE CHECKS, MORE CHECKS IN A DIFFICULT
6 ECONOMIC TIME. AND THESE CHECKS COST, WHAT? A HALF MILLION
7 DOLLARS TO START WITH? I GUESS YOU CAN SAY THAT THE COUNTY
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS IT LIKE THAT. BUT IN THE COMMUNITY
9 WHERE I COME FROM AS I WAS DRIVING DOWN HERE TODAY, THE FOOD
10 LINE STRETCHED ALL THE WAY AROUND THE CORNER. IT WASN'T LIKE
11 THAT A YEAR AGO. SO, YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW. I GUESS I WOULD
12 SAY THERE NEEDS TO BE A BETTER ALLOCATION OF FUNDS. YOU HAVE A
13 CHECK ALREADY IN PLACE. THE F.B.I. CHECK ALREADY IS 50 PERCENT
14 WRONG. I MEAN, I'M JUST BEHOOVED BY WHAT'S HAPPENING, WHAT I
15 SEE AND WHAT I HEAR IN THIS MEETING. AND I GUESS TO WHOM MUCH
16 IS GIVEN, MUCH IS REQUIRED. AND IT TAKES A LOT, A LOT OF
17 WHATEVER IT TAKES TO DO WHAT YOU ALL DO. BUT I JUST FEEL LIKE
18 GOING ON WRONG WITH WHAT YOU'RE DOING, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREA
19 OF THIS F.B.I. BACKGROUND CHECK.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

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23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. I'M READING THIS AND MY QUESTION'S
24 WITH REGARD TO EVIDENTLY A LIFE SCANNING POLICY WENT INTO
25 EFFECT IN 1998. WHAT THAT ENTAILS? I'M NOT REALLY SURE BECAUSE



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1 I'M NOT PRIVY TO THAT INFORMATION. BUT IN YOUR THIRD PARAGRAPH
2 HERE, IT STATES "CONTINUE THE CURRENT CRIMINAL BACKGROUND
3 CHECK FOR STATE AND LOCAL SUMMARY CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMATION
4 FOR ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES ON THE OCCASION OF TRANSFERS AND
5 PROMOTIONS AND NEW HIRES." WELL, I WOULD IMAGINE BECAUSE ALL
6 CURRENT EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING THOSE THAT HAVE NOT TRANSFERRED
7 OR PROMOTED SINCE THE LIFE SCANNING POLICY WENT INTO EFFECT IN
8 1998, NEW HIRES WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE LIFE SCANNING
9 PROGRAM. SO IS IT A DEEPER BACKGROUND CHECK? IS IT A MORE
10 THOROUGH BACKGROUND CHECK? AND IF IT IS, WHY WASN'T, AGAIN,
11 THE LIFE SCANNING PROGRAM UPDATED TO ALLOW FOR MORE THOROUGH
12 PROGRAM BACKGROUND CHECK? BUT AS FAR AS TRANSFERS AND
13 PROMOTIONS, THE ONLY PEOPLE THAT WOULD BE EXCLUDED WOULD HAVE
14 BEEN PEOPLE HIRED BEFORE 1998. AND IF THEY WERE HIRED BEFORE
15 1998, WHY WASN'T A PROVISION IN THE LIFE SCANNING PROGRAM WHEN
16 IT WAS IMPLEMENTED IN 1998 INCLUDED THEN TO ADDRESS TRANSFERS
17 AND PROMOTIONS? AGAIN, YOU'RE CHASING A HORSE THAT'S ALREADY
18 LEFT THE BARN. I DO RECALL DR. CLAVREUL COMING HERE WHEN
19 M.L.K. WAS ON THE BURNERS AND QUESTIONING THE CREDENTIALS FOR
20 THE HEAD OF M.L.K. NOT THE HEAD OF THE HEALTH, THE INTERIM
21 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT, BUT THE WOMAN THAT USED TO COME
22 UP HERE AND TALK ALSO ABOUT THE PROGRAMMING AT M.L.K. DR.
23 CLAVREUL USED TO SAY SHE DOESN'T HAVE THE CREDENTIALS TO BE A
24 NURSE. THAT WAS OVER TWO YEARS AGO. SO I'M NOT TOTALLY SURE,
25 BUT THERE SEEMS TO BE A REAL DISCONNECT HERE. WHY ALL OF A



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1 SUDDEN? I DON'T KNOW. THERE IS A PROGRAM AT THE DOCKS, WHERE
2 ALL THE TRUCK DRIVERS, BECAUSE IT'S A FEDERAL PROGRAM BECAUSE
3 OF, WHO ARE THOSE KNUCKLEHEADS THAT DO THE SAFETY DEFENSE?
4 THEY REQUIRED THAT THEY HAVE BACKGROUND INFORMATION, A DATA
5 CARD OR SOMETHING. WHY WASN'T IT IMPLEMENTED AFTER 9/11? WHY
6 WASN'T SOME CHANGES DONE THEN? WHY ALL OF A SUDDEN NOW? IT'S
7 JUST A TIMING THING. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ITEM 19 IS BEFORE US.
10 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
11 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 45, ARNOLD, DO
12 YOU WANT TO -- YOU ALSO HELD 45? HIS MEMO IS REFERRED BACK. WE
13 STILL MOVE ON THE REST OF THE ITEM. ITEM 45?

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AS WEIRD AS IT MAY SOUND. THANK YOU, ARNOLD
16 SACHS. AS WEIRD AS IT MAY SOUND, THE AMOUNT OF MONEY HERE,
17 WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE TOTAL, \$137,000 FOR ONE YEAR COMES TO
18 LESS THAN \$12,000 A MONTH FOR THIS PROGRAM, WHICH IS LIKE,
19 COMES TO LIKE \$3,000 A WEEK, WHICH IS, I DON'T KNOW. WHAT CAN
20 YOU GET -- WHAT KIND OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAM? WHAT CAN A
21 GOVERNMENT PROGRAM WITH A \$3,000 A WEEK BUDGET REALLY
22 ACCOMPLISH AS FAR AS -- I MEAN, I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT
23 THEY'RE GOING TO GET FUNDING, BUT IT'S PENNIES FOR THE
24 PROBLEM. IT JUST LOOKS LIKE BAND-AIDS FOR AN AMPUTATION. THANK
25 YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THE CHAIR WILL
3 MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
4 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. ITEM 59. REPORT BY THE
5 C.E.O. ON THE I.O.U.S, ISN'T THAT OLD NEWS?

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7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN ALMOST MAYBE END THIS REPORT.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I MEAN THERE'S NEW NEWS AS RELATES MAYBE
10 TO STATE BUDGET. BUT THE WARRANT PIECE IS GONE RIGHT NOW. IS
11 THAT OKAY?

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13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL AS OF THIS DATE, WELL, SINCE JULY 1ST,
14 THE STATE HAS ISSUED \$41 MILLION IN WARRANTS. AND WE'VE CASHED
15 ABOUT \$11 MILLION. SO THERE'S STILL A BALANCE OF ABOUT \$30
16 MILLION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE STATE WILL REDEEM THESE
17 WARRANTS IN OCTOBER WITH A REASONABLE INTEREST RATE. SO I
18 DON'T EXPECT IT TO GET MATERIALLY WORSE OR BETTER. BUT WITH
19 RESPECT TO THE STATE BUDGET, WE'VE SENT A LOT OF INFORMATION
20 IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS REGARDING THE STATE BUDGET. WE HAVE
21 CONCERNS REGARDING A COUPLE OF ISSUES. ONE, WHETHER OR NOT
22 WE'LL GET REIMBURSED FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION THIS PAST MAY.
23 THAT'S A VERY SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FOR US. WE'RE WORKING ON THAT.
24 THE TIMING OF THE SECURITIZATION OF THE MONEY IMPACTED BY THE
25 SUSPENSION OF PROP 1-A. THAT'S STILL A BIG ISSUE FOR US. AS



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1 REPORTED IN SEVERAL VENUES, THERE'S CONCERNS REGARDING THE
2 CONSTITUTIONALITY OF SOME OF THE CUTS IMPOSED OR IDENTIFIED
3 LAST WEEK. AND THE STATE CONTROLLER IS LOOKING AT THAT RIGHT
4 NOW. WE'RE WATCHING IT VERY, VERY CLOSELY. WE DO HAVE A
5 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON SOME OF OUR PUBLIC SOCIAL PROGRAMS AND
6 ALSO SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS, BUT ALSO PUBLIC HEALTH AND
7 MENTAL HEALTH. WE'LL BE ADDRESSING THESE ISSUES. AND WITH
8 THAT, THE IMPACT TO OUR BUDGET AS WE MOVE FORWARD TOWARDS
9 RELEASING INFORMATION RELATED TO A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. ANY
10 QUESTIONS?

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS?

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE QUESTION. THE ISSUE THAT IMPACTS THE
15 COUNTY FINANCIALLY RELATIVE TO I GUESS OUTSIDE THE WARRANTS,
16 BUT ON THE RELEASE OF STATE FELONS TO THE COUNTY, I WANT TO
17 ASK SOME QUESTIONS ON THAT. THE REPORT INDICATES THAT THEY'RE
18 GOING TO RELEASE NONVIOLENT OFFENDERS WHO VIOLATE PAROLE WOULD
19 NOT BE RETURNED TO PRISON. I WOULD ASSUME WOULD THEY THEN BE
20 HOUSED IN COUNTY FACILITIES?

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22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE DON'T HAVE INFORMATION ON THAT RIGHT NOW.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEY'RE ALSO SAYING OFFENDERS WOULD
25 REMAIN IN COUNTY JAIL RATHER THAN END UP IN STATE PRISON. SO



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1 IF THEY DETERMINE WHO IS GOING TO REMAIN IN THE COUNTY JAIL,
2 THE QUESTION IS DO THEY PAY FOR THAT? AND IF THEY DO PAY FOR
3 THAT COST, DOES THAT INCLUDE CAPITAL COSTS? BECAUSE OUR JAILS
4 ARE BASICALLY OVEREXTENDED RIGHT NOW AND ABOUT 80 PERCENT OF
5 OUR INMATES AWAITING ADJUDICATION.

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7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND. WE'RE MEETING WITH THE SHERIFF
8 THIS AFTERNOON ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES. I CAN INCLUDE THAT IN
9 OUR DISCUSSION WITH THEM AND THEN REPORT BACK TO YOU, WE CAN
10 REPORT BACK SHORTLY. BUT NO LATER THAN NEXT WEEK, IF YOU LIKE.
11 AT LEAST A VERBAL REPORT BACK.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THIS COMES FROM THE AUGUST THIRD
14 RELATIVE TO GOVERNOR'S INMATE REDUCTION PROGRAM, HOW IT WORKS.

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL DO THAT. AS THE BUDGET EVOLVED, AND I
17 KNOW THERE WAS MANY CHANGES. THERE'S ADDITIONS, THERE ARE
18 SUBTRACTIONS. BUT THE LAST I HEARD, I THOUGHT THERE WAS A VERY
19 MINIMAL IMPACT TO THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM. BUT WE'LL VERIFY IT
20 FOR YOU IN OUR REPORT BACK.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT REDUCING IT BY
23 27,300 OVER THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR. AND 8,500 FELONS WHO ARE NOT
24 CITIZENS COULD HAVE THEIR SENTENCED COMMUTED BY THE GOVERNOR
25 THEN TURNED OVER FOR DEPORTATION. BUT YOU STILL HAVE 19,000



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1 PEOPLE. THOSE 19,000, OUR JAIL POPULATION IS APPROXIMATELY
2 20,000.

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4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** SURE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE A THIRD OF THOSE
7 OR MORE, HOW DOES THAT IMPACT? AND HOW DO WE HOUSE THEM
8 WITHOUT IMPACTING THOSE ALREADY ASSIGNED TO COUNTY JAILS FOR
9 CRIMES COMMITTED?

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11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN THEY TALK ABOUT NONVIOLENT OFFENDERS WHO
14 VIOLATE PAROLE WOULD NOT AUTOMATICALLY BE RETURNED TO PRISON.
15 SO IF YOU HAD A MADOFF OR SOMEBODY LIKE THAT, IN A WHITE
16 COLLAR CRIME WHO HAS DEFRAUDED SO MANY PEOPLE, THAT MEANS THEY
17 CAN CONTINUE TO DEFRAUD WITHOUT FEAR OF GOING BACK TO PRISON.
18 DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OKAY. WE'LL REPORT BACK ON THAT

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AND THEN THERE WAS -- THE TWO
23 JOURNALISTS HAVE BEEN RELEASED FROM NORTH KOREA. I KNOW I
24 TALKED TO THE MOTHER A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, SHE WAS AT A DINNER
25 WHERE I WAS HONORED. SHE INDICATED THAT THEY THOUGHT CLINTON



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1 WAS -- THAT'S WHAT THEY WANTED TO HAVE THAT TYPE OF CONTACT.
2 AND AS A RESULT, IT HAPPENED. SO THEY WERE OPTIMISTIC THAT
3 THEY WOULD BE RELEASED. SO WE'RE VERY PLEASED WITH THAT. THERE
4 WAS TODAY ON C.B.S. NEWS, THEY INDICATED ABOUT A RETIRED NEW
5 JERSEY FIREFIGHTER AND FAMILY WHO SOLD ALL OF THEIR BELONGINGS
6 AND MOVED TO FLORIDA. THEY PURCHASED A CONDO IN A 32-STORY
7 BUILDING IN FORT MYERS. WHEN THEY ARRIVED, THEY FOUND OUT THEY
8 WERE THE ONLY OCCUPANT OF THE BUILDING. WHAT WAS INTERESTING
9 IS THAT THE PARKING LOT WHERE THEY PARK THEIR CAR, THE LIGHTS
10 WERE TURNED OFF BY MANAGEMENT. THE TRASH BIN WAS PUT IN FRONT
11 OF THEIR DOOR. THE AUTOMATIC DOORS TO THE CONDO WERE SHUT OFF.
12 THE POOL LIGHTS WERE TURNED OFF. AND THERE WAS A SECURITY
13 PROBLEM. BUT IT'S RELATED, IT'S THE DEVELOPER OF PROJECT. AND
14 THE DEVELOPER, HIS RELATED COMPANIES, WHICH IS THE GROUP DOING
15 GRAND AVENUE, I HAD BEEN TOLD OF OTHER PROBLEMS THEY'VE HAD IN
16 DEALING. MY CONCERN'S ALWAYS BEEN WITH THE CALIBER OF THE
17 DEVELOPER, NOT THE PROJECT, IN TURN. AND IF YOU COULD CHECK
18 THAT OUT, IT'S ASSOCIATED PRESS, C.B.S. NEWS IS REPORTING THAT
19 TODAY. THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** 61-A? IS THERE SPEAKER ON THAT? HELD THAT ITEM?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I SUBMIT THIS
24 MATTER IN THE WAKE OF MUCH DISCUSSION AND FOCUS ON THE DEATH
25 OF DAE'VON BAILEY, AND THE MORE WE LEARN ABOUT IT, THE MORE



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1 DISTURBING IT GETS. LAST WEEK, JOINED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY IN AN APPEAL TO THE COMMUNITY AS A
3 WHOLE FOR HELP IN APPREHENDING THE SUSPECTS IN THE CASE OF
4 DAE'VON BAILEY'S DEATH. THE ADULT CARETAKER KNOWN AS MARCUS
5 FISHER BEING THE PRIMARY SUSPECT IN THE MURDER OF THIS CHILD
6 AS IS BEING ASSERTED BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY. AND SO IT IS
7 REALLY VERY BASIC. I BELIEVE, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
8 BOARD, IN EACH INSTANCE WHERE THE COMMUNITY COMES FORWARD TO
9 HELP LAW ENFORCEMENT APPREHEND A SUSPECT, IT INCREASES RATHER
10 SIGNIFICANTLY THE LIKELIHOOD OF THAT SUSPECT BEING
11 APPREHENDED. THEREFORE THIS REWARD MOTION. WE ALSO HASTEN TO
12 MAKE THE POINT THAT IT'S, WELL, THE PREVAILING POINT OF VIEW
13 IS THAT THE REASON THAT MR. FISHER HAS NOT BEEN APPREHENDED TO
14 DATE RELATES PRECISELY TO THE FACT THAT THERE ARE THOSE WHO
15 ARE PERHAPS AND PROBABLY HARBORING HIM. WELL, THE FACT OF THE
16 MATTER, IT SHOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT IF SUCH IS THE CASE,
17 THOSE PERSONS INVOLVED PUT THEMSELVES IN HARM'S WAY. THAT IS,
18 THEY ARE THEN SUBJECT TO THE FULL WEIGHT OF THE LAW, AS WELL.
19 WE ARE ALL DUTY-BOUND TO DO THE RIGHT THING IN THIS INSTANCE.
20 ANYONE KNOWING ANYTHING, PLEASE COME FORWARD. THUS THE MOTION
21 TO THAT EFFECT, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THAT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
24 THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
25 ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS, PLEASE?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
3 ELOISA SAAVEDRA MARTINEZ. SHE IS THE BELOVED MOTHER OF JUAN
4 CARLOS MARTINEZ, WHO IS A COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
5 SENIOR INTERGROUP SPECIALIST. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT
6 CONDOLENCES TO JUAN AND HIS ENTIRE FAMILY.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. IS THAT IT? SUPERVISOR
9 RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS, PLEASE?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. THERE ARE QUITE A
12 NUMBER OF THEM AND I WILL DO JUSTICE TO THE FAMILIES, AND AT
13 THE SAME TIME RESPECT THE TIME CONSTRAINTS UNDER WHICH WE ARE
14 OPERATING. HENRY HOSKINS, LONGTIME LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENT
15 AND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE GARDENA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
16 RECENTLY PASSED. HE WAS A DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER WHO
17 ENJOYED VISITING AND SHARING MEMORABLE STORIES OF HIS LIFE AND
18 WITH HIS FAMILY. HE LEAVES A LOVING FAMILY TO CHERISH HIS
19 MEMORY. DARRYL KERR, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF COMPTON
20 AND BROTHER-IN-LAW OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE STAFF MEMBER TWILA
21 KERR, WHO RECENTLY PASSED ON JULY THE 25TH AT THE AGE OF 45.
22 HE WAS A BOILER MAKER IN THE OIL REFINERY INDUSTRY. HIS
23 PASSIONS WERE MUSIC, COOKING AND TRAVELING. HE LEAVES TO
24 CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS SONS, DARRYL AND MARCUS; HIS PARENTS,
25 ROBERT AND CHARLOTTE; HIS SISTERS, DENISE AND LINDA; AND



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1 BROTHERS, MICHAEL AND LARRY; ALONG WITH MANY OTHER FAMILY
2 MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. HOWARD RANSOM, JR., A LONGTIME SECOND
3 DISTRICT RESIDENT, COMMUNITY ACTIVIST AND ADULT EDUCATION
4 TEACHER AND ADVOCATE WHO PASSED ON JULY THE 26TH AT THE AGE OF
5 55. HE WAS DEDICATED TO YOUTH AT RISK AND THOSE ADULTS WHO
6 WERE DISADVANTAGED THROUGHOUT COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
7 ANGELES FOR WELL OVER 30 YEARS. MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, HE
8 WAS THE BENEFICIARY OF MANY, OR THE RECIPIENT OF MANY
9 COMMUNITY RECOGNITIONS, NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH IS EDUCATOR OF
10 THE YEAR, AWARDED BY YOUNG CENTER FOR ACADEMIC AND CULTURAL
11 ENRICHMENT. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, LINDA;
12 HIS FATHER, HOWARD SENIOR; HIS BROTHER, PHILIP; THREE
13 STEPCHILDREN, MONIQUE, MAXWELL, AND BRANDON; ALONG WITH MANY,
14 MANY FRIENDS AND A LOVING FAMILY. SHIRLEY BYRD, SECOND
15 DISTRICT RESIDENT AND WIFE OF FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF
16 LYNWOOD, LOUIS BIRD.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT, PLEASE.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHO PASSED ON JULY THE 13TH AT THE AGE OF
21 77. PRIOR TO HER RETIREMENT, WHILE LIVING IN SAN FRANCISCO,
22 SHE WAS A FAITHFUL AND ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE PILGRIM COMMUNITY
23 CHURCH, WHERE SHE SANG IN THE CHOIR. AFTER MARRIAGE, SHE
24 JOINED CITIZENS OF ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH. SHE LEAVES
25 TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER HUSBAND, LOUIS; HER SON, WENDELL;



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1 AND HER SISTER, YOLANDA; ALONG WITH MANY FRIENDS AND A LOVING
2 FAMILY. ALBERT IVERSON, LONGTIME COMPTON RESIDENT AND BROTHER
3 OF TIM IVERSON. AND THE IVERSON FAMILY HAS FOR MANY YEARS BEEN
4 DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANTS AND RESIDENTS OF THE COMMUNITY OF
5 COMPTON. THE WORK THAT THEY DO IS GREATLY APPRECIATED. AND TIM
6 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS BROTHER, HIS SISTER, ALONG
7 WITH A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. FINALLY, MR. CHAIRMAN,
8 AUDREY MCCASKEY, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT
9 AND LOVING WIFE OF I.S.D. EMPLOYEE ASSIGNED TO THE EIGHTH
10 FLOOR, TURNER MCCASKEY, WHO PASSED AWAY JULY 27TH. SHE ENJOYED
11 TRAVELING AND WORKED TIRELESSLY WITH HER HUSBAND TO COORDINATE
12 HER FAMILY REUNIONS. HER HOBBY WAS BOWLING AND HOSTED
13 TOURNAMENTS IN VARIOUS CITIES. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER
14 MEMORY HER HUSBAND, TURNER; HER GODDAUGHTER, TRINA CHENEY; AND
15 A HOST OF ADOPTED FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND WITH YOUR PERMISSION, THERE'S AN
22 ADDITIONAL MOTION THAT I WOULD LIKE TO READ IN. IS THAT THE
23 APPROPRIATE TIME TO DO SO?

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABSOLUTELY.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, YOU MAY
3 RECALL HEARING ON SUNDAY MORNING, THAT IS AUGUST 2ND, JUST
4 AFTER ONE 14-YEAR-OLD YOUNGSTER, SEMAJ SPENCER, WAS STRUCK AND
5 KILLED BY A HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER ON IMPERIAL HIGHWAY JUST EAST
6 OF CRENSHAW. WITNESSES SAID THE BOY, AND THIS IS A LITTLE
7 GRAPHIC, SO BRACE YOURSELF, WAS KNOCKED OUT OF HIS SHOES AND
8 DRAGGED SOME 50 FEET BY THE VEHICLE. THE DRIVER SPED AWAY.
9 AUTHORITIES ARE LOOKING FOR A CAR THAT MAY BE A DARK RED FORD
10 FOCUS WITH TINTED WINDOWS AND PROBABLY HAS MAJOR FRONT-END
11 DAMAGE. SO WE SUBMIT THIS MOTION IN SEARCH OF THOSE PERSONS
12 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF THIS CHILD WHO WAS STRUCK AND
13 KILLED IN A HIT-AND-RUN ON THIS SAID TIME AND PLACE, MR.
14 CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND THAT.
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. I HAVE SEVERAL
18 ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL -- I'M SORRY, ZEV, GO AHEAD.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO PROBLEM. MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE SEVERAL
21 ADJOURNING MOTIONS. FIRST I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT THE BOARD
22 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LILY BURK, A 17-YEAR-OLD STUDENT AT
23 OAKWOOD SCHOOL IN NORTH HOLLYWOOD, WHO WAS MURDERED IN
24 DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES A LITTLE OVER A WEEK AGO. SHE WAS
25 ACCOSTED WHILE RETURNING TO HER CAR AFTER RETRIEVING SOME



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1 PAPERS FROM HER MOTHER'S OFFICE AT THE SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
2 SCHOOL OF LAW. SHE WAS A YOUNG WOMAN OF GREAT PROMISE WITH A
3 DEMONSTRATED APTITUDE ON COMPUTERS. WAS SAID TO STAR IN A NOW
4 CANCELLED SCHOOL PLAY, AND HAD BEEN VOLUNTEERING AT A DOWNTOWN
5 HOMELESS SERVICES DRUG TREATMENT FACILITY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
6 HER PARENTS, MUSIC JOURNALIST GREG BURK AND LIBEL ATTORNEY AND
7 ADJUNCT LAW PROFESSOR DEBRA DROOZ, AND MANY OTHER FRIENDS AND
8 RELATIVES RELATIVES. ALL MEMBERS.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALSO, SHE WAS ALSO A RESIDENT OF LOS FELIZ
13 IN OUR DISTRICT. BEVERLY DEUTSCH, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR
14 DISTRICT AND OUR COMMUNITY, MY NEIGHBORHOOD AND A GOOD FRIEND
15 OF MY OFFICE, WHO PASSED AWAY LATE LAST WEEK. SHE AND HER
16 HUSBAND SANFORD DEUTSCH WERE ACTIVE IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY,
17 INVOLVED WITH THE ORTHODOX UNION, CONGREGATION SHAREI TEFILAH,
18 AND THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND, AMONG MANY OTHER CAUSES. SHE IS
19 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, SANFORD, AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS,
20 ALONG WITH MANY FRIENDS. SHE DIED AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. RUDY
21 ORTEGA, SR., OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "CHIEF LITTLE BEAR," BELOVED
22 TRIBAL LEADER OF THE FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION
23 INDIANS, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE SAN FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION
24 INDIANS, RECENTLY DIED TRAGICALLY IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.
25 HE WAS BORN IN 1926. HE DISCOVERED HIS INDIAN HERITAGE AS A



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1 TEENAGER. AFTER MILITARY SERVICE IN WORLD WAR II IN WHICH HE
2 SAW ACTION IN THE PACIFIC THEATER, HE RETURNED HOME AND BEGAN
3 A LIFELONG COMMITMENT TO ORGANIZING HIS COMMUNITY AND
4 PRESERVING THE HISTORY AND CULTURE OF HIS TRIBE. HE ADVOCATED
5 TIRELESSLY FOR FEDERAL AND STATE RECOGNITION, PROTECTION OF
6 SACRED INDIAN SITES AND THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE.
7 CHIEF LITTLE BEAR WAS A FATHER, AN ELDER, A CHIEF, A CAPTAIN,
8 PRESIDENT, COMMUNITY BUILDER, AND SOCIAL ACTIVIST. HE IS
9 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CELIA, HIS SON, RUDY, JR., WHO IS A
10 TRIBAL ADMINISTRATOR, AND NINE OTHER CHILDREN, 49
11 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 54 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. AND THIS IS THE
12 UNDERSTATEMENT, MANY OTHER RELATIVES AND TRIBAL MEMBERS.
13 LASTLY, TOM RUNYON, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT, A
14 FICTION WRITER, ACTOR, AND SCION OF THE FAMILY FOR WHOM RUNYON
15 CANYON IN HOLLYWOOD HILLS WAS NAMED. RECENTLY DIED OF CANCER
16 AT THE AGE OF 89 IN MALIBU, AT HIS HOME IN MALIBU. HE WAS BORN
17 IN WASHINGTON D.C. IN 1920. HIS FATHER, CHARLES, WAS A STATE
18 DEPARTMENT LAWYER AND MOTHER AN ARTIST AND SCULPTOR. THE
19 FAMILY MOVED TO L.A. WHEN HE WAS THREE. AS A YOUNG BOY, HE
20 GREW UP HUNTING AND HIKING IN THE CANYON HIS COAL-BARON
21 GRANDFATHER PURCHASED AND RENAMED FOR HIMSELF. HE SERVED IN
22 WORLD WAR II IN THE ARMY AIR SERVICES, FLYING CARGO MISSIONS
23 OVER NORTH AFRICA AND ITALY, DRAWING ON HIS EXPERIENCES AND
24 WRITING FOR MEN'S ADVENTURE MAGAZINES. HE MARRIED HIS WIFE,
25 BARBARA, IN 1961. AND LATER, IN 1969, OPENED A LEGENDARY OLD



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1 WEST SALOON-TYPE RESTAURANT IN MALIBU CALLED THE OLD PLACE. IT
2 BECAME A POPULAR CELEBRITY GATHERING POT. HE IS SURVIVED BY
3 HIS WIFE OF 48 YEARS, BARBARA; A SON, MORGAN; AND A DAUGHTER,
4 ALESSANDRA; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING
5 MOTIONS.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, I HAD ONE MORE, I'M SORRY. MARK ETZEL,
10 LONGTIME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER FOR H.I.V.
11 IDENTIFICATION, PREVENTION, AND TREATMENT SERVICES FOR THE
12 U.C.L.A.-SEMEL INSTITUTE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH. PASSED
13 AWAY AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH LYMPHOMA. MARK WAS A GOOD FRIEND
14 OF OUR OFFICE WHO WORKED CLOSELY WITH US FOR MANY YEARS IN
15 SEVERAL DIFFERENT CAPACITIES FOR AIDS PROJECT LOS ANGELES. IN
16 ANNOUNCING MARK'S PASSING, DR. MARY JANE ROTHERAM-BORUS,
17 PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR AT U.C.L.A. SEMEL INSTITUTE, DESCRIBED
18 MARK AS "A STRONG AND CARING INDIVIDUAL, A VALUABLE ASSET TO
19 THE UNIVERSITY, AS WELL AS TO THE LARGER LOS ANGELES
20 COMMUNITY. THE LEADERSHIP, STRENGTH AND CLARITY THAT HIS
21 PRESENCE BROUGHT TO OUR COMMUNITY WILL BE A TREMENDOUS LOSS."
22 MARK IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARTNER, ART BRISOLARA, FAMILY
23 MEMBERS, AND MANY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES. HE WAS A GREAT HELP
24 TO US AND TO THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS,
2 AS WELL. FIRST OF ALL AND I WOULD ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME
3 IN THIS THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BYRNA LOWENTHAL, THE
4 MOTHER OF STATE SENATOR ALAN LOWENTHAL, WHO PASSED AWAY JULY
5 17TH. SHE WAS 97. SHE WAS KNOWN AS A WONDERFUL COOK AND HER
6 HOME WAS A GATHERING PLACE FOR HER CHILDREN'S FRIENDS. SHE HAD
7 THREE SONS AND A DAUGHTER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS,
8 ALAN AND GARY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GOOD
9 FRIEND, PETER GARDINER, RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY COUNCIL
10 MEMBER WHO PASSED AWAY JULY 25TH AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH
11 MELANOMA. HE WAS 68-YEAR-OLD. HE WAS FIRST ELECTED PUBLIC
12 OFFICE IN 1993 AS A MEMBER OF THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA BOARD
13 OF EDUCATION. IN 2001, HE WAS ELECTED TO CITY COUNCIL AND
14 REELECTED IN 2005. HE HAD A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ELECTRICAL
15 ENGINEERING AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN PH.D. IN SYSTEMS
16 MANAGEMENT. HE WAS THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE SOUTHERN
17 CALIFORNIA SAFETY INSTITUTE WHERE HE TAUGHT COURSES IN
18 AVIATION SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT, SAFETY MANAGEMENT, AIRCRAFT
19 ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION, AND SAFETY DECISION MAKING. HE IS
20 SURVIVED BY HIS SON, CHRISTOPHER; DAUGHTER, CHRISTINE; AND
21 FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DEXTER
22 LIMA, NARBONNE HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL PLAYER, WHO TRAGICALLY
23 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 17, A LITTLE MORE THAN 24 HOURS
24 AFTER HE WAS KNOCKED UNDERWATER BY A WAVE WHILE SWIMMING. HE
25 IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, ELAINE; SISTER, RENEE; AND BROTHER



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1 REESE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ART DAWSON, A LONG
2 BEACH RESIDENT AND AN EMPLOYEE OF OUR DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES
3 AND HARBORS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 28TH, WITHIN ONE WEEK OF
4 FINDING OUT THAT HE HAD LIVER CANCER. HE WAS 57 YEARS OLD. HE
5 SERVED US AS A GROUND MAINTENANCE WORKER. HE IS SURVIVED BY
6 HIS WIFE, PATRICIA; TWO DAUGHTERS, CRYSTAL AND TIFFANY; AND
7 SON, NICHOLAS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROGER CROW,
8 WHO PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY ON JULY 22ND. HE WORKED IN OUR
9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR 31 YEARS. HE RETIRED AS
10 AN ASSISTANT CHIEF IN 1998. HE MENTORED MANY ASPIRING
11 FIREFIGHTERS AS WELL AS TAUGHT AT THE NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY IN
12 MARYLAND. HE WAS VERY INVOLVED IN MANY ORGANIZATIONS, WHERE HE
13 ALWAYS VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE A SUPPORTIVE LEADERSHIP ROLE. HE IS
14 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CAROLYN; THREE SONS, DOUGLAS, DONALD,
15 DAVID; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
16 OF CIRA GARCES, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF DOWNEY. SHE IS SURVIVED
17 BY HER CHILDREN, LARRY AND TERESA; THREE GRANDCHILDREN; A
18 BROTHER AND A SISTER. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOSEPHINE
19 GOMBRICH, A RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD FOR MANY YEARS. SHE WAS A
20 LONGTIME VOLUNTEER AT THE PATHWAYS VOLUNTEER HOSPICE, AND WAS
21 VERY ACTIVE IN MANY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. SHE IS SURVIVED
22 BY HER SIX CHILDREN, JOANNE, DENISE, ROBERT, SCOTT, THOMAS,
23 AND STEVEN; HER SISTER, DORA; SIX GRANDCHILDREN; NIECES AND
24 NEPHEWS AND WILL BE MISSED BY MANY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. FINALLY
25 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ELIN BREKKE VANDERLIP, DAUGHTER-



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1 IN-LAW OF FRANK VANDERLIP, THE MAN WHO ASSEMBLED THE SYNDICATE
2 AND THEN IN 1913, BOUGHT THE ENTIRE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA.
3 SHE PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 90. SHE WOULD RAISE
4 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR THE NONPROFIT SHE FOUNDED, THE FRIENDS
5 OF FRENCH ART. THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT APPOINTED HER AS
6 COMMANDER OF THE ORDER OF ARTS AND LETTERS. SHE WAS ALSO ONE
7 OF THE RARE FOREIGN WOMEN TO RECEIVE THE FRENCH LEGION OF
8 HONOR. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SONS, CALVIN, JR., HENRIK;
9 DAUGHTERS, KATRINA AND NARCISSA; AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE
10 ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, SO ORDERED. PUBLIC COMMENTS. I ASK DANIEL
11 GARCIA TO JOIN US. DAMIEN GOODMAN. EDDIE JONES. AND ANTHONY
12 TROY WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR. OKAY. MR. GARCIA, GO AHEAD. GO
13 AHEAD, MR. GARCIA.

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15 **DANIEL GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING.

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19 **DANIEL GARCIA:** I HAVE A REAL CONCERN. AND THIS HAS TO BE THE
20 MEDICAL CENTER IN OLIVE VIEW, U.C.L.A., THIS IS MY CONCERN IS
21 THIS AREA. I WAS HOSPITALIZED IN THAT AREA. AND TWO OF MY MAIN
22 CONCERNS ARE THAT THEY WERE VERY PROFESSIONAL, THEY WERE THEY
23 WERE VERY KIND, THEY VERY, VERY PERSONABLE. BUT IN REGARD TO
24 ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT I HAVE CONCERN IS WHY IS IT THAT IT'S
25 SO EASY FOR GETTING OUR BIBLE AND NOT SO EASY TO REQUEST A



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1 BILL OF RIGHTS FOR THE PATIENT. I ASKED A NURSE TO GIVE ME THE
2 BILL OF RIGHTS. AND SHE REFUSED TO GIVE ME THE BILL OF RIGHTS.
3 I ASKED THE HEAD NURSE FOR THE BILL OF RIGHTS. SHE ACTUALLY
4 GAVE ME THE BILL OF RIGHTS. SECOND OF ALL, I WANT TO SAY WHY
5 IS IT SO QUICK IN GETTING A RABBI AND A SOCIAL WORKER IN THE
6 HOSPITAL? SO BECAUSE I REQUEST A SOCIAL WORKER. THE SOCIAL
7 WORKER -- WAS ACTUALLY NOT GIVING ME THE TIME THAT I NEED IN
8 THE HOSPITAL. AND I WAS ASKING THE QUESTION FOR INFORMATION.
9 IS THE SOCIAL WORKER, SHE WAS HELPFUL IN GIVING ME THIS BOOK.
10 IN THE BILL OF RIGHTS. MY MAIN CONCERN IS ARE THE PEOPLE WHO
11 ARE NOT ABLE TO TALK TO ME OR COME HERE TO DO WHAT I'M DOING
12 RIGHT NOW BECAUSE THAT IS THEIR MAIN CONCERN, THIS
13 INFORMATION.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, DO YOU
16 WANT TO HAVE SOME OF YOUR STAFF TALK TO HIM ABOUT THE BILL OF
17 RIGHTS AT HOSPITAL OLIVE VIEW? OKAY. NEXT, I WOULD ASK --
18 BEFORE YOU BEGIN, MR. JONES, I WOULD ASK ARNOLD SACHS, AND
19 THEN LAST WE'LL GO TO NICOLE PARSON, EXCUSE ME, IN LANCASTER.
20 MR. JONES?

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22 **EDDIE JONES:** FIRST OF ALL, GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE ENTIRE
23 SUPERVISORY BOARD. THIS IS THE HOME GOING CELEBRATION FOR A
24 YOUNG MAN, DAE'VON RASHON BAILEY. I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE
25 MOTHER SINCE DAY ONE. ALL THE PRESS YOU SAW ON TV, THE



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1 INTERVIEWS ON C.N.N., THE RADIO SHOWS ON K.J.L.H., 93.5 THE
2 BEAT. I MADE THAT ALL POSSIBLE. I DID NOT WANT IT TO FALL ON
3 DEAF EARS THAT THERE'S A PROBLEM. THIS CHILD WAS CRYING OUT TO
4 GET HELP. HE WENT TO THE SCHOOL AND HE CRIED OUT TO GET HELP.
5 HE TOLD THEM "I'M HURTING. PLEASE, SOMEBODY HELP ME.."
6 HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES DROPPED
7 THE BALL ON THIS CHILD. THERE'S A LOT OF KIDS THAT HAVE DIED
8 IN THIS SYSTEM. UNFORTUNATELY. AND IT'S SO UNFORTUNATE THAT
9 DAE'VON RASHON BAILEY HAD TO BE AN AVENUE TO GET EYES AND EARS
10 TO HEAR AND SEE THIS GIGANTIC, ENORMOUS PROBLEM THAT'S WITHIN
11 THE SYSTEM THAT NEEDS TO BE RECTIFIED, ANALYZED, EVALUATED AND
12 RE-ESTABLISHED. I'M DEPENDING ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND
13 I REALLY APPRECIATE EVERY ONE OF YOU TO MOVE NOT ONLY SWIFTLY
14 BUT AS WISE AND AS INTELLIGENT AS YOU CAN TO MAKE THE ONES
15 THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE ACTIONS. THE SOCIAL WORKERS
16 THAT ARE NOT DOING WHAT THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO DO, I ASK THAT YOU
17 CALL ON AN INDEPENDENT, INTERNAL INVESTIGATION LIKE YOU'RE
18 DOING. THAT'S GREAT. BECAUSE EVERYONE HAS TO BE RESPONSIBLE
19 FOR A HUMAN BEING'S LIFE. AND THERE'S NO LIFE MORE IMPORTANT
20 THAN A CHILD'S LIFE WHO HAD A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT, A HUMAN
21 RIGHT AND A CIVIL RIGHT TO LIVE. UNFORTUNATELY IT WAS STOLEN
22 AWAY BY MARCUS FISHER. I CAN'T WAIT, AND I STILL DON'T
23 UNDERSTAND WHY MARCUS FISHER IS NOT OFF THE STREETS YET. I
24 THINK THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY SERVICES SHOULD HAVE THEIR
25 INVESTIGATOR, THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD HAVE



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1 THEIR INVESTIGATOR, THE L.A.P.D. SHOULD HAVE THEIR
2 INVESTIGATORS ON IT, AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, EVERYBODY,
3 INCLUDING THE F.B.I., SHOULD BE FINDING THIS GUY. WE GOT EYES
4 IN THE SKY. THERE'S NO REASON WHY THIS GENTLEMAN -- HE'S NOT
5 EVEN A GENTLEMAN, THIS HUMAN BEING, MARCUS FISHER, SHOULD
6 STILL BE FREE. HE BEAT THAT CHILD TO HIS DEATH. TO HIS DEATH.
7 THE MOTHER TOLD ME THAT WHEN SHE VIEWED THE BODY, MARCUS, I
8 MEAN DAE'VON'S MOUTH WAS STILL OPEN. THAT MEANS HE WAS
9 SCREAMING FOR HELP EVEN IN HIS DEATH. SO, LAST BUT NOT LEAST,
10 I THANK YOU FOR HEARING ME TODAY. BUT WE ALL HAVE A RIGHT TO
11 MAKE SURE THAT THE RIGHT THINGS ARE DONE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
12 AND HAVE A WONDERFUL DAY. I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH HER SINCE DAY
13 ONE OF THE DEATH OF HER SON.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** DO YOU KNOW THAT SHE WAS -- HAS BEEN A REFERRAL
16 TO THIS DEPARTMENT FOR OVER SEVEN YEARS?

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18 **EDDIE JONES:** YES, MA'AM.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT IF YOU KNOW THAT AND YOU KNOW SHE HAS HAD A
21 LOT OF THESE ISSUES, AND SHE HAS OTHER CHILDREN THAT ARE NOT
22 YET DEAD, I MEAN, IT ISN'T WHAT WE NEED TO INVESTIGATE.
23 OBVIOUSLY YOU NEED TO WORK, IF YOU ARE WORKING WITH THIS
24 MOTHER, IT ISN'T ABOUT GETTING ATTENTION AND POINTING THE



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1 FINGER. THE FIRST LINE OF PROTECTION FOR ANY CHILD IS THE
2 PARENT.

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4 **EDDIE JONES:** AND I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL THEN CONSEQUENTLY, I WOULD SUGGEST, AND I'M
7 READING THE REVIEW OF THE FILE RIGHT NOW OF THE PARENTING SHE
8 RECEIVED, OF THE SERVICES SHE RECEIVED, OF THE CONSTANT
9 SUPERVISION TO MAINTAIN HER HOUSE SHE RECEIVED. AND HOW SHE
10 LEFT A CHILD WITH A MAN WHO NOW SHE WANTS TO GO OUT LOOKING
11 FOR IS AMAZING TO ME THAT SHE CAN CALL HERSELF A MOTHER.

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13 **EDDIE JONES:** MISS MOLINA, ALL DUE RESPECT TO YOU, I WASN'T
14 THERE BECAUSE OF WHAT HER PAST WAS.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE WERE.

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18 **EDDIE JONES:** I WAS THERE BECAUSE HER CHILD WAS DEAD. AND HE
19 WAS KILLED. HE WAS MURDERED.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND, GUESS WHAT? YOU NEED TO HELP NOW, YOU NEED
22 TO GO BACK AND SIT DOWN WITH THIS MOMMY AND TELL HER SHE HAS
23 OTHER CHILDREN TO TAKE CARE OF. SHE HAS TO GET HER HOUSE IN
24 ORDER.

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1 **EDDIE JONES:** AND SHE'S GOING TO NEED HELP TO DO THAT. SHE'S
2 GOING TO NEED A LOT OF HELP.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS PARENTING SERVICES, THESE ARE BUS TOKENS.
5 THIS IS HOUSING ASSISTANCE. THIS IS MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING.
6 THIS IS COUNSELING THAT SHE IS RECEIVING. NOW, AT A POINT IN
7 TIME, THERE HAS TO BE SOME OWNERSHIP, SIR. I KNOW I HAVE
8 OWNERSHIP HERE, AS WELL. THIS CHILD DIED AT THE HANDS OF
9 SOMEONE HE WAS LEFT WITH, WHICH IS MY RESPONSIBILITY AND THE
10 COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY. BUT YOU NEED, IF YOU HAVE ANY
11 RELATIONSHIP WITH THIS MOMMY, YOU NEED TO GO BACK AND REMIND
12 HER THAT SHE HAS AN AWFUL LOT OF WORK TO DO. HER CHILD IS
13 DEAD. OUR CHILD -- EXCUSE ME.

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15 **EDDIE JONES:** THERE'S A LOT OF KIDS.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** EXCUSE ME. OUR CHILD IS DEAD. BUT THE REALITY IS,
18 SHE HAS OTHER CHILDREN. SHE HAS OTHER CHILDREN. SHE HAS A DUTY
19 AND A RESPONSIBILITY TO TAKE CARE OF. AND I AM NOT SEEING THAT
20 AS YET. SO YOU GO A LONG WAY TO PROVIDE SOME ADVICE TO HER TO
21 START GETTING HERSELF TOGETHER, DEAL WITH HER ISSUES. BECAUSE
22 SHE IS HAVING CHILDREN THAT VERY, FRANKLY, WITH ALL OF THE
23 SERVICES THAT WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING HER, OBVIOUSLY HAS NOT
24 LED TO ANY ASSISTANCE TO HER. AND SHE HAS A DUTY.

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1 **EDDIE JONES:** AND I THANK YOU FOR SPEAKING OUT NOW. IF I'D LIKE
2 TO RESPOND TO WHAT YOU JUST SAID. THERE'S A LOT OF KIDS IN THE
3 SYSTEM THAT ARE SUFFERING. THERE'S A LOT OF MOTHERS. AND
4 PLEASE LET ME FINISH MY STATEMENT. I DID LISTEN TO YOU. AND I
5 GAVE YOU THE FLOOR.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT IN ALL DUE
8 RESPECT, NOT THE GENERIC PIECE. SHE WAS TALKING TO A VERY
9 SPECIFIC CASE.

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11 **EDDIE JONES:** I'M GOING TO TALK TO THE SPECIFIC CASE. I MET THE
12 CHILDREN AT THE FUNERAL. I MET ALL THE CHILDREN. AND YES, SHE
13 DOES HAVE RESPONSIBILITY. BUT FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND RIGHT
14 NOW, SHE'S GETTING INTO PARENTING CLASSES.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** POINT OF ORDER, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, WE'VE GOT A CALL TO -- HOLD ON.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** FOUR YEARS OF PARENTING.

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22 **EDDIE JONES:** AND I UNDERSTAND THAT.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CHAIRMAN, POINT OF ORDER.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CHAIR RECOGNIZES SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
2 THOMAS.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS A TYPICAL CONVENTION OF PUBLIC
5 COMMENT NOT TO HAVE WHAT IS REDUCIBLE TO A BACK AND FORTH
6 BETWEEN A MEMBER OF THE BOARD AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. MR.
7 CHAIRMAN, I WOULD TRUST THAT WE CAN ABIDE BY THOSE RULES IN
8 THIS INSTANCE AND I WOULD MOVE THE AGENDA.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** FAIR ENOUGH.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FAIR ENOUGH. ANTHONY TROY.

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14 **ANTHONY TROY:** HI, SUPERVISOR, BOARD MEMBERS, GOOD AFTERNOON.
15 MY NAME IS ANTHONY TROY. I SPOKE A LITTLE BIT PREVIOUSLY, AND
16 I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT SOME THINGS IN THIS MANNER OF WITH CHILD
17 PROTECTION SERVICES IS GOING TO BE LOOKED AT AND MORE TRAINING
18 IN SOCIAL WORKERS AND OFFICIALS AND THINGS ARE GOING TO BE
19 LOOKED AT. I HAVE A PARTICULAR -- EACH CASE, EACH CHILD
20 PROTECTION SERVICE CASE IS DIFFERENT. AND MY SPECIFIC CASE AND
21 EVERYTHING, MY WIFE, THE MOTHER OF THE CHILDREN, HAS ABDUCTED
22 THE CHILDREN THREE TIMES, HAS 19 SPECIAL LISTED CHARGES WITH
23 CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES. AND I ASKED BEFORE FOR SOME OF
24 THESE THINGS TO BE LOOKED AT AND WHY THE MOTHER OF THESE
25 CHILDREN, WHO HAS THE CUSTODY OF THE CHILDREN, AND MAY I ADD



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1 PREVIOUSLY I'VE HAD SOLE LEGAL PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF MY
2 CHILDREN. AND THEY KEEP OVERLOOKING THE MOTHER OF THE CHILDREN
3 ABDUCTING THE CHILDREN FOR THE THIRD TIME. EVERYTHING IS
4 DOCUMENTED I'M SPEAKING. AND THAT HOW THE MOTHER OF THESE
5 CHILDREN HAS CUSTODY WHEN THE CHILDREN, THE PATTERNS AND
6 EVERYTHING SHOW THE YOUTH THERE SEEMS TO BE A PATTERN IN THE
7 FAMILY ON HER SIDE AND HER HERSELF NOT FOLLOWING THE RULES AND
8 EVERYTHING OF SOCIETY AND INVOLVED IN A LOT OF CRIMINAL
9 ACTIVITY AND FRAUD. AND ALSO HAS A HISTORY OF NEGLECT. I'M
10 TRYING TO DO THE SAME THING FORTH AS A FATHER, LOVE MY
11 CHILDREN AND EVERYTHING, TO KEEP THEM SAFE AND IN A GOOD
12 SOCIETY GROWING UP. SO I ASK ONCE AGAIN FOR HELP AND
13 EVERYTHING. AND GOD BLESS YOU LOOKING AT THINGS AND REVIEWING
14 SOME OF THESE CASES NOW.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** COULD WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM THE
17 DEPARTMENT TO VISIT WITH THIS GENTLEMAN? IS THERE SOMEONE FROM
18 THE DEPARTMENT OUT THERE? D.C.F.S.? ANYONE? OKAY. THE LADY
19 RIGHT HERE WILL, IF YOU'LL STEP DOWN OVER HERE, HERE, THIS
20 LADY RIGHT OVER HERE WILL VISIT WITH YOU. ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS
21 AND THEN WE WILL WELCOME NICOLE PARSON FROM LANCASTER. MR.
22 SACHS?

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24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANKS. GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO
25 JUST TALK A FEW MINUTES, TAKE SOME TIME TO DISCUSS AN ARTICLE



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1 THAT I JUST READ FROM THE L.A. CAN, IT'S A CITY MAGAZINE. IT'S
2 DEALING WITH THE D.N.A. BACKLOG. BASICALLY WITH THE CITY, BUT
3 I THINK IT HAS REPERCUSSIONS FOR THE COUNTY, ALSO. AND A
4 COUPLE OF ITEMS IN THIS ARTICLE STAND OUT. NUMBER ONE, IT
5 TALKS ABOUT CONTROLLER LAURA CHICK POINTING OUT THAT IN 2008,
6 THERE WAS 7,000 D.N.A., A BACKLOG OF 7,000 D.N.A. RAPE KITS IN
7 L.A.P.D. SHE SAID, IN THIS ARTICLE IT STATES, "HER REPORT ALSO
8 MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE BACKLOG WAS REVEALED IN 2002. AND AT
9 THAT TIME, THE BACKLOG CONSISTED OF BETWEEN 1,800 AND 2,500
10 UNTESTED KITS." ALSO IN THIS ARTICLE, IT STATES THAT "IN 2004,
11 PRESIDENT BUSH SIGNED A CONSOLIDATION APPROPRIATIONS ACT WHICH
12 ALLOCATED \$100 MILLION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO BE
13 DISPENSED TO CITIES THROUGHOUT THE NATION WHERE BACKLOGS OF
14 UNTESTED D.N.A. EVIDENCE EXISTED." AND I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S
15 JUST THE CITIES OR WOULD HAVE INCLUDED ALL GOVERNMENT
16 AGENCIES. BUT WHAT IS ALSO INTERESTING IN HERE IS IT STATES
17 THAT IN THE LATE 1990S, THE CITY OF NEW YORK HAD A BACKLOG OF
18 17,000 RAPE EVIDENCE KITS. THIS BACKLOG WAS COMPLETELY CLEARED
19 OUT IN A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS. SO, IN THE LATE 1990S, IF YOU
20 GO BACK TO 1999 AND YOU ADD THREE YEARS TO THAT, IT'S THE YEAR
21 2002. SO PRIOR TO ANY OF THIS FUNDING FROM THE PRESIDENT
22 SIGNING THE CONSOLIDATION APPROPRIATIONS ACT, NEW YORK CITY
23 WAS ABLE TO CLEAR UP A BACKLOG OF 17,000 RAPE KITS. HERE,
24 AFTER THE FUNDING, THIS CONSOLIDATION BILL IS ENACTED, L.A.'S
25 RAPE KIT BACKLOG GROWS. THERE'S ANOTHER DISCONNECT THERE. HOW



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1 COME WITH FUNDING, THE RAPE KIT CRISIS IS GROWING IN L.A.? AND
2 WITHOUT FUNDING, NEW YORK WAS ABLE TO ELIMINATE A BACKLOG OF
3 17,000 RAPE KITS? MAYBE WE SHOULD PUT A CALL INTO NEW YORK TO
4 FIND OUT HOW THEY DID IT.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (COMMENT OFF MIC).

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL, EVIDENTLY THEY SEEM TO BE ABLE TO
9 ELIMINATE SOME PROBLEMS THAT HAVE BEEN AROUND FOR YEARS AND
10 YEARS AND YEARS. AND WHEN I WAS GROWING UP, I WAS A METS FAN.
11 MAYBE THAT EXPLAINS SOMETHING. MAYBE THEY'RE SHIPPING THEM TO
12 CALIFORNIA, THAT COULD BE IT.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOU COME VIA GREYHOUND?

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST LIKE THEY TRIED TO GET RID OF THAT TRASH A
17 FEW YEARS AGO. THAT GARBAGE SCOW.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THAT'S THEIR NEW PROPOSAL THAT THEY'RE
20 IMPLEMENTING. YOU'VE SEEN THAT IN THE PAPER.

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22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST THOUGHT I'D BRING THAT UP. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, IF YOU'LL READ US INTO CLOSED
25 SESSION, THANK YOU.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU HAVE ONE MORE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE'S ONE MORE. NICOLE PARSON.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, I'M SORRY, NICOLE. NICOLE PARSON,
7 LANCASTER.

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9 **NICOLE PARSON:** OH, HELLO.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS, ARNOLD. GOOD STAFF WORK, ARNOLD.
12 GO AHEAD.

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14 **NICOLE PARSON:** HI. HI. I FEEL REALLY BAD ABOUT BEING SO
15 EMOTIONAL AND LOUD EARLIER, BECAUSE I'M HERE TRYING TO BE
16 PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS. AND WELL, I GUESS THERE'S ONLY LIKE
17 TWO CHOICES IN LIFE. EITHER I GUESS TO INVENT YOURSELF OR NOT
18 GIVE A CARE ABOUT ANYONE OR ANYTHING AND STILL LIKE LIE AND
19 KILL. OR BUT TO HAVE INTEGRITY AND TO EITHER SPEAK UP AGAINST
20 OR TAKE A STANCE AGAINST SOMETHING THAT'S WRONG OR SOMETHING.
21 SO, OKAY, BUT AT EVERY POINT, THE CONTRACTORS JUST LIKE FAIL
22 ME. AND EVEN LIKE THE SHERIFFS WERE HERE TODAY. AND I JUST
23 WISH THAT WE COULD GET OVER THAT. I MEAN I COULD GET OVER
24 THAT. I JUST REMEMBER, MISS MOLINA, HOW YOU SAID THAT YOUR
25 GUYS' METHOD WAS TO WORK TO DENY LIKE THE CLAIMS AND STUFF.



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1 BUT YOU KNOW HOW LIKE RUDOLPH THE REINDEER, AND LIKE ONE
2 PERSON STARTS LAUGHING AND THEN SOMEONE JUST DISCREDITS THE
3 PERSON AND SO THEY JUST ARE JUST LIKE USED AS LIKE A PIECE OF
4 UNRECYCLABLES, YOU KNOW. OR LIKE THE SIDEWALK AND JUST SPIT ON
5 OR WHATEVER. AND SO I REALLY WISH WE COULD GET OVER THAT.
6 BECAUSE YOU KNOW HOW MR. OBAMA AND MRS. CLINTON, THE SECRETARY
7 OF STATE, SAID THEY HAVE TO GET THE WATER RIGHTS IN OTHER
8 COUNTRIES AND STUFF? AND OH, AND THINKS BECAUSE MRS. CLINTON
9 SAID -- SHE SAID IN THE WAY OF SPEECH AND ACTIONS. SO I JUST
10 WANT TO MAYBE MAKE A -- IS IT OKAY TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO
11 COME DOWN AND MAYBE TALK INSIDE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE
12 FOR SOME OF THESE PROCUREMENTS AND GETTING MY CONTRACTING
13 ACQUISITIONS OR ACCOUNTABILITY RIGHTS IN THE OFFICE OF
14 FINANCE? IS THAT OKAY IF I MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AND COME DOWN
15 SO THAT I COULD MAYBE HELP WITH I.T. IN THESE IMPORTANT
16 ISSUES? OR PROGRAMS. THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE WELCOME. THANK YOU. IF YOU'LL
19 READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE, THANK YOU.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
22 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
23 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-2, CS-3 AND
24 CS-4, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
25 LITIGATION, AND ITEM NO. CS-6, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL



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1 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS
2 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON AUGUST 4, 2009

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5 In Open Session, item CS-1 was continued two weeks to August
6 18, 2009.

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8 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

9 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Marshall
10 v. County of Los Angeles, Superior Court Case No. BC 377071

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12 This case arises from civil rights violations alleged against
13 the Department of Children and Family Services. (09-1576)

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15 ACTION TAKEN: The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuits
16 titled Marshall v. County of Los Angeles.

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18 The substance of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry
19 by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final
20 following approval by all parties.

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22 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
23 present.

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1 CS-3. The Board continued this item one week to August 11,
2 2009.

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4 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
5 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Charles
6 R. Drew University of Medicine & Science v. County of Los
7 Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. TC 020 609

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9 This is a lawsuit alleging breach of a Medical School
10 Affiliation Agreement. (07-1221)

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12 ACTION TAKEN: The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuits
13 titled Charles R. Drew University of Medicine & Science v.
14 County of Los Angeles.

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16 The substance of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry
17 by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final
18 following approval by all parties.

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20 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
21 present.

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23 CS-5. In Open Session, this item was continued one week to
24 August 11, 2009.

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1 CS-6. No reportable action was taken.

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